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Cash battles come out into the open

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

The Cabinet battle over public spending burst into the open yesterday as the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Nigel Lawson, and the Conservative Party chairman, Mr Norman Tebbit, delivered forthright calls for further reductions in taxation.

In a Commons debate on the economy and unemployment, Mr Lawson described the reduction of the burden of taxation as a moral duty and said: "This is no time for a change of policy".

Addressing the annual Conservative women's conference in London, Mr Tebbit repeated that the Government's aim was to achieve zero inflation and said: "Taxation should be cut further".

With the Prime Minister, Mr Lawson and Mr Tebbit are the Cabinet's most prominent advocates of tax-cutting and opponents of the growing band of ministers who have been calling for more spending on housing, health and education to reverse the slide in the Government's popularity.

Their message is likely to be reinforced by Mrs Margaret Thatcher in her speech to the women's conference today.

Yesterday in the Commons she told a Conservative backbencher that additional expenditure had to be matched by economies elsewhere, a remark MPs took to be directed to some of her colleagues.

But it was the tone of Mr Lawson's speech which most struck Conservative MPs, particularly those who have been calling for higher public spending.

It was clear from his speech that Mr Lawson is determined not to allow the Secretary of State for Education and Science, Mr Kenneth Baker, automatically to have the extra £1 billion or more that he is seeking in the imminent spending discussions.

It was noted that he had specifically mentioned education when talking about the need to achieve better value for money out of the sums of money spent by local and central government.

He said the latest figures showed that taxpayers and ratepayers in Britain spent about 20 per cent more a pupil than they did in Japan and 50 per cent more than in France.

The Chancellor yesterday: "If we fail to control public expenditure it will not be a question of how much the burden of taxation on ordinary families can be reduced. It will be a question of how much it is to go up".

"Yet this is manifestly not reflected in what parents rightly care about, standards and values and the child's preparation for the real world of tomorrow", he said.

The Chancellor added: "We need to continue the process of reducing the burden of taxation not just as a social service but as a moral duty and an essential means of improving our national economic performance".

Mr Lawson accepted the need for a "keen sense of priorities" with public spending, reflecting the Treasury's line that if there are to be big increases on some items that can take place only within the planned totals of spending.

He said: "If increased public expenditure were the remedy for all our ills the voters might be tempted to support those who have always maintained this to be so. It is not so, as bitter experience should have taught us."

The Chancellor said that people on middle incomes were still paying too much tax. But he added that no one should take tax cuts for granted.

He repeated his optimistic assessment of the prospects for industry, but both he and Mr Tebbit said that excessive wage demands could damage the chances of grasping the opportunities ahead.

Mr Lawson said it was a "moment of opportunity" for industry. Inflation had come down sharply, the pattern of exchange rates was more favourable and world markets were about to expand again as the benefits of the oil price falls flowed through.

But he added: "Whether that opportunity is successfully grasped or largely dissipated will depend on management's determination to control their unit labour costs — the Achilles' heel of the economy."

Brave Derby outlook

The sky's the limit for Dancing Brave, the Derby favourite, as he limbers up with his stable lad, Brian Graham, on the Epsom Downs in readiness for today's £239,260 classic. Greville Starkey, his big-race jockey, wears a confident smile as he looks forward to seeking a second Derby success on Khaled Abdulla's unbeaten colt, who has been the subject of heavy support during the last few days.

Guy Harwood, Dancing Brave's trainer, also has another unbeaten contender in Allez Milord, who will be ridden by the Texan Cash Asmussen, champion jockey in France last season. Second favourite in the betting is Shahrastani, owned by the Aga Khan, trained by Michael Stoute and ridden by Walter Swinburn, who were associated with the ill-fated 1981 winner, Shergar.

The one withdrawal yesterday from the 17-strong field was Bakharoff, who has been re-routed to Sunday's French Derby. (Photographs: Harry Kerr).

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Virgin declares summer fare war

By Alan Hamilton

A summer air fares war across the North Atlantic appeared to have been declared yesterday with the announcement by Mr Richard Branson that his Virgin Atlantic airline was seeking approval for a £56 single fare from London to New York. If granted, it will be in real terms the cheapest scheduled fare ever offered between Britain and the United States.

Mr Branson made his announcement in response to his rival American-owned People Express airline, which made it known on Monday that it had sought clearance from the Civil Aviation Authority for a £66 transatlantic single fare. The authority is expected to give its decision next week; if the fares are granted, other airlines are likely to follow suit.

Both Virgin and People Express intend to offer the cheap seats to the first 30 seats sold on any flight.

The price-cutting is being seen as a marketing exercise on one of the world's most intensely competitive routes, rather than a response to falling oil prices. Last year a record 6.9 million passengers travelled from British airports to North American destinations, an increase of 400,000 on 1984. This year a weak dollar has made the United States an attractive holiday destination for Britons, but traffic in the opposite direction has been hit by American fears of terrorism.

Virgin Atlantic and People Express are already in direct competition; last year both offered a £99 single fare between Gatwick and Newark, New Jersey.

Mr Branson said yesterday: "We believe in a simple low-fare, high-quality product for all without the gimmicks of a few tickets used as a shop-window display. Still, if People (Express) are going to play silly games, then we don't believe in being undercut."

Mr Timothy Burke, People Express manager for the UK and Belgium, said yesterday: "There is no question that, day in and day out, we are the lowest price carrier across the Atlantic. Our £66 application applies to the one minor area where we were not the cheapest, and that is the 21-day advance-booking fare."

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Paper blaze gang sought

By Michael Horsnell and Gavin Bell

Detectives investigating a £7 million arson attack at a News International newsprint warehouse in south-east London were today hunting at least three men whom they believe may have doused the building with petrol before igniting it with firebombs.

Mr Brace Matthews, the group's managing director, said he believed the culprits were involved with printers in dispute with the company and announced that News International was offering a £50,000 reward for information leading directly to their arrest and conviction.

As firemen continued to fight the blaze yesterday, Mr Matthews received the latest in a series of death threats from an anonymous caller who told his secretary: "That was a well organized job last night, wasn't it? Tell him he'll be the next to burn." Several executives of the company have been escorted by bodyguards for the past two months after receiving similar threats.

The 100 sq m L-shaped number 18 shed at Convoy's Wharf, Deptford, which had contained 10,000 tonnes of newsprint, was still burning fiercely at its centre 24 hours after the blaze erupted. The corrugated tin roof collapsed into the modern building after steel support girders had buckled in the inferno.

Scientists from the police fire investigation unit are examining the theory that one man may have forced his way into the shed shortly before the attack and poured petrol over the huge rolls of tightly packed paper.

A source close to the investigation said that rolls of newsprint were as difficult to ignite as solid blocks of wood, but once a surface sheet was alight it released combustible gases that rapidly spread the fire. "It had to have been a methodical job," he said.

Descriptions of the gang have been given by two women witnesses to detectives at Greenwich police station and photo-fit pictures are expected to be issued. Lists of printers who were dismissed by News International in January after going on strike are expected to be examined, but police have not ruled out the possibility

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Hippies face new court bans

By Craig Seton

Land owners on the Longford Estates near Salisbury, Wiltshire, were given permission in the High Court yesterday to seek an order keeping the hippy convoy off their land.

The 26 trustees and tenants of the estate are seeking to evict a breakaway group of about 12 travellers who settled on land known as Great Yews near the village of Odstock, Wiltshire, on Monday.

Their fear is that if the Forestry Commission successfully evicts the main body of the 300-strong convoy from the Stoney Cross Plain beauty spot, near Southampton, Hampshire, they may try to join the group already on their land.

At a brief private hearing, Mr Justice Alliott granted them leave for an emergency hearing of their application at 2pm today to have the travellers evicted.

At another brief private hearing, Mr Justice Alliott cleared the way for the Forestry Commission to seek the eviction of the hippy convoy from Stoney Cross Plain. He gave the Commission leave to seek possession of the site on a restored wartime aerodrome where the convoy set up a new "village" on Sunday.

Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, told MPs in the Commons that there were strong arguments against making simple trespass a criminal offence. But he announced that the Home Office was holding talks with the police, the National Farmer's Union and the Country Landowners Association to discuss whether the law needed to be further strengthened and, if so,

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Breach of Salt 2 denied by envoy

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

Mr Leonid Zamyatin, the new Soviet Ambassador to Britain, yesterday denied American charges that Moscow had violated the Salt 2 agreement, urged Britain to take the initiative in reactivating talks on a comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty, and indicated that Moscow was prepared to reach agreements on a number of arms control issues, including one that would eliminate medium-range missiles from Europe, at the next Reagan-Gorbachov summit.

Addressing a press conference at the Soviet Embassy yesterday — the second since his arrival in London little more that a month ago — Mr Zamyatin attempted to exploit the divisions which have developed between the US and its Nato partners over Salt 2 by lambasting President Reagan, whom he accused of "opening the floodgates for an uncontrolled arms race".

He also sought to build on the goodwill engendered by the visit to the Soviet Union by a Parliamentary delegation led by Lord Whitelaw, which returned to Britan on Monday, by paying tribute to Anglo-Soviet co-operation and placing heavy emphasis on the influence Britain has with the US.

The central part of the press conference was a detailed rebuttal of American charges that the Soviet Union was violating the Salt 2 accord — the reason President Reagan gave for his decision to pull out of the arms limitation accord later this year.

He said that, in accordance with Salt limits, the Soviet Union had reduced its total of strategic nuclear missiles and heavy bombers first to 2,400 and then to 2,200.

He denied US claims that the true size of the Soviet strategic arsenal had risen to 2,520.

He also denied that Moscow was violating a treaty provision banning the coding of messages emitted during missile testing which allow the other side to verify if the accord is being adhered to.

He blamed Washington for keeping the dispute over coding — known officially as encrypting telemetry — "artificially unresolved" by refusing to take up a Soviet proposal to set out what information should be coded.

Mr Zamyatin rejected American assertions that the construction of a big new radar station at Krashnoyarsk in Siberia was a violation of the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile treaty.

He said its purpose was to track objects in outer space. He accused the US of breaching the treaty by developing a new phased-array radar station in Greenland.

Mr Zamyatin frequently referred to the Soviet Union's unilateral moratorium on nuclear testing and urged Britain to help reconvene the tripartite comprehensive test ban talks which the Americans broke off in 1982.

Despite Soviet anger over Salt 2, Mr Zamyatin gave the impression that a Reagan-Gorbachov summit was still likely later this year.

● WASHINGTON: — Scientists from the Soviet Union and the United States have agreed to set up monitoring stations in both countries to show that compliance with a proposed comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty could be verified, a private US environmental group said yesterday (Reuter reports).

Tomorrow

The Channel Tunnel vision

Will the Channel Tunnel provide a bridgehead to Europe or prove an unrelenting drain on the taxpayer?

Portfolio Gold

● The £4,000 prize in The Times Portfolio Gold competition was won outright yesterday by Mr Adrian Robinson of Acton, West London.
● There is £4,000 to be won again today.
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Nasa blamed

The Rogers Commission has reportedly concluded that the explosion of the shuttle Challenger was caused by years of failure and negligence by senior Nasa officials Page 20

Student attack

A law lecturer who was assaulted by five students as part of a rag week "prank" has criticized a polytechnic's attitude to what she termed organized violence. Page 3

Sanctions plea

South Africa urged the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group to make another visit before deciding whether to recommend economic sanctions, but the group is unlikely to agree. Page 8

On This Day

The Derby of 1896 was the first of three to be won by the Prince of Wales and only the third royal win since the race was founded in 1780. Page 15

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NHS chief quits 'untenable job'

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

The Government's drive to introduce general management throughout the National Health Service received a severe set-back yesterday when Mr Victor Paige, chairman of the NHS management board, resigned his £70,000-a-year post with half his three-year contract to run.

He made it clear that different priorities between himself and Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, had made the job untenable, and that progress in introducing the sweeping changes needed has been too slow.

In his letter of resignation, Mr Paige said: "Ministers and the chairman of the management board can approach the same issue with different prespectives, priorities, objectives and restraints. The conclusions are not always compatible. Also there are always others in the action, or trying to be.

"Within my remit that makes for difficulties in working to the management standards and style to which I am committed. I have brought this to your notice on several occasions."

Mr Paige said that his resignation should not bring comfort to anyone in the NHS opposed to the introduction of the new general managers. "The issues it relates to are about the nature and urgency of decision, not management concept. My commitment to the introduction of general management remains undiminished. It is vital for the NHS.'

He listed as key issues that had to be addressed "improving employee commitment and motivation, more devolution to health authorities within clearly defined standards of accountability and monitoring, the implementation of more effective financial management and planning and creating a high awareness of the importance of consumer and quality care".

The precise cause of Mr Paige's decision to go is unclear.

Post chief hopeful of avoiding strike action

By Robin Young

Sir Ron Dearing, the Post Office chairman, and Mr Alan Tuffin, general secretary of the Union of Communication Workers, spent all yesterday in search of a solution to the postal dispute.

Sir Ron said that he was more hopeful that a national strike could be avoided.

The eight hours of talks followed discussions on Monday.

The union was continuing with its ballot of 20,000 members in 11 sorting offices where new work rotas which triggered the dispute in Leeds are due to be introduced within the next few weeks.

During the day postal workers in Yorkshire, where the unofficial strike action is principally centred, became involved in a confusing stop-start pattern. Newly affected centres included Chesterfield and Worksop, while overtime bans were brought into operation in Scarborough, Bridlington and Whitby. The strike continued in Leeds.

The Post Office said last night that 20 centres were now on strike and more than one-and-a-half-million addresses were not receiving mail.

561 escape in 50ft Jumbo air miss

By Our Foreign Staff

A British Airways jet carrying 375 people narrowly avoided colliding with a Scandinavian plane near Iceland on Monday, when air traffic controllers in Reykjavic put both aircraft on the same course.

The incident occurred over the North Atlantic flight path, when the BA Boeing 747, flying from London to Seattle and Vancover, spotted an SAS DC8 50 feet below it and 200 feet to the right.

The BA Jumbo jet and the SAS airliner, carrying 186 passengers and crew, were cruising at an altitude of 33,000 feet.

"It is not clear whether it was a human or technical error," said a spokesman for SAS in Copenhagen.

BA said its flight continued as scheduled and the pilot registered an "air miss" when he arrived at his destination.

The Civil Aviation Authority said near collisions were very rare.

Tough task for Scots

Scotland play their first game in the World Cup finals today, against Denmark at Neza, a suburb of Mexico City, in Group E, generally regarded as the toughest of the six preliminary pools.

The Scots, who have never fulfilled their footballing potential in previous World Cups, must finish in the top two of their group, which also includes Uruguay and West Germany, to ensure reaching the second round.

Alex Ferguson, the Scotland manager, is still considering what playing formation his team will use.

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Dame Anna Neagle dies aged 81

By Robin Young

Dame Anna, as the Fairy Godmother in her last performance in the London Palladium pantomime.

Dame Anna Neagle, the actress, died yesterday in the Surrey nursing home to which she went for rest after her last stage role, as the Fairy Godmother in the London Palladium's Christmas pantomime, *Cinderella*. She was 81.

In a few days' time she was due to have celebrated her sixty-second year in show business, having started as a dancer in the revues of the 1920s.

Dame Anna had been the star of more hit West End stage musicals, plays and films than many people are privileged to see, let alone perform in.

She also introduced the bossa nova dance to Great Britain and for years set the nation an example of physical fitness by taking a cold bath every day and following a rigorous regime of exercises.

Starring with Des O'Connor and Paul Nicholas, she gave two shows a day for three months in *Cinderella*, but, although she seemed radiant on stage, the effort left her physically exhausted and her doctors ordered her to rest.

A friend said yesterday: "Then it seems she just gave up. She just faded away and it seemed to happen in the last 24 hours. She had not been ill apart from the physical exhaustion diagnosed by her doctors".

Dame Anna had vowed that she would never retire while people were willing to employ her. On her eightieth birthday she said: "I have been overwhelmed by the generosity and love of the public, and if they still want to see me on stage, then I will be there".

Mrs Odette Hallowes, the French resistance heroine whom Dame Anna portrayed in one of her most dramatic roles, said yesterday: "Her life has gone but her star will shine brightly for a long time to come.

"I knew her for more than 35 years and she was the sister I would love to have had. I admired her graciousness, modesty, courage and loyalty, and I am very proud to have been her friend."

Mr Louis Benjamin, president of Stoll Moss Theatres, the owner of the London Palladium and producer of the pantomime that was Dame Anna's last show, said: "We have lost part of the great British theatre. Entertainment has suffered a great loss. People of her calibre are very rare, and the loss is irreparable."

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Thatcher campaigns to win EEC to her vision of enterprise culture

By Richard Evans, Political Correspondent

Mrs Margaret Thatcher launched a campaign yesterday to win the rest of Europe to her vision of an enterprise culture for combating high unemployment.

With the Prime Minister taking over the presidency of the EEC for six months on July 1, the governments of Britain, the Irish Republic and Italy produced an initiative aimed at freeing the labour market.

The initiative centres on the Thatcherite principles of smashing unnecessary bureaucracy and red tape to create jobs, promoting enterprise and self-employment, improving training and encouraging flexible working patterns.

In Whitehall last night it was being said on Mrs Thatcher's behalf that the jobs blueprint will be a key feature of her European term of office.

The Minister for Employment, Mr Kenneth Clarke, who launched the labour market initiative with his Italian and Irish counterparts yesterday, said: "It provides a framework for Community action to combat unemployment and I hope that, in discussion with EEC ministers, we can agree during the UK presidency to adopt a programme based on it.

"Our paper puts employment creation, promotion of enterprise and training for work at the top of the agenda of the EEC employment ministers to a greater extent than ever before."

Although the paper acknowledges that economic growth must remain a key component of EEC strategy to conquer unemployment, it tackles the labour market restraints which it claims may be inhibiting employment growth within the Community.

It highlights training deficiencies, lack of mobility of workers, limitations on part-time working, excessive bureaucracy facing businesses, obstacles to self-employment and creation of new firms, and excessive administrative rules and rigidities in the organization of labour.

The paper lists more than 30 proposals to tackle the problems, but adds: "It should be stressed that the objective of helping the labour market to function better is not intended to be either a vehicle for promoting deregulation per se or as a vehicle for removing social protections which many would see as hard-won rights."

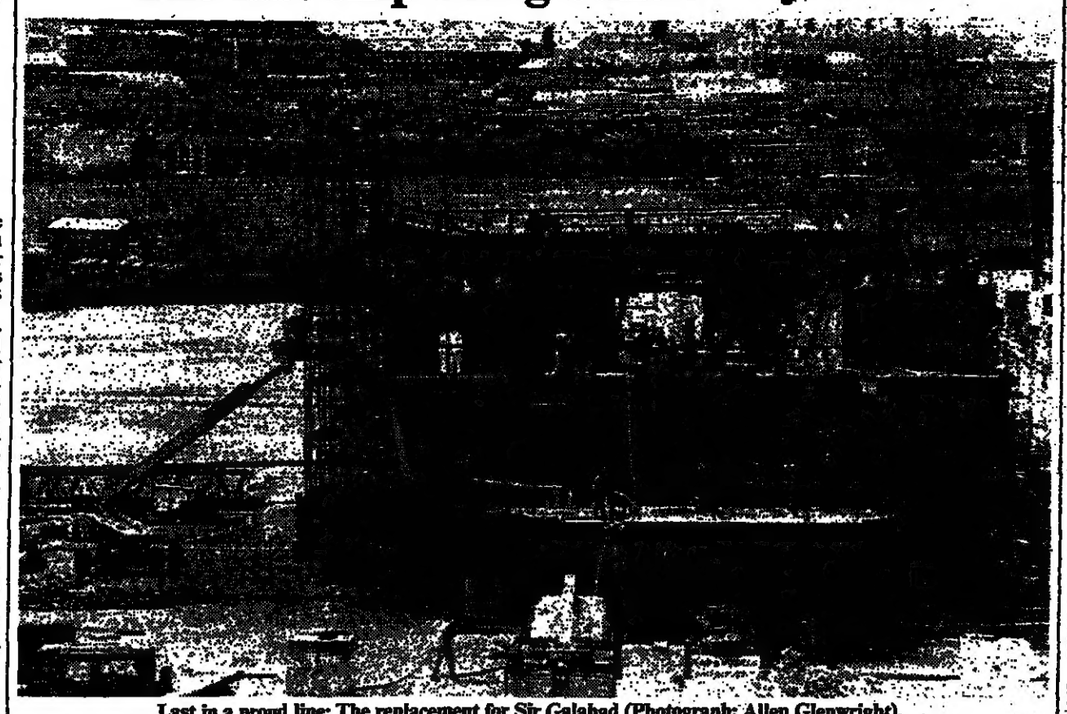
Some of the recommendations involve European Social Fund spending and the paper says: "There appears to be a growing measure of agreement that the fund's key priority over the next few years must be to assist those measures which will bring about the maximum growth in employment and the maximum reduction in unemployment."

Mrs Thatcher's belief in an enterprise culture is reflected in the proposals for promoting enterprise and employment. The paper suggests that the EEC should consider how it can facilitate the setting up of one-man businesses.

It also wants countries to encourage measures to increase the number of young people, particularly those out of work, going into self-employment.

Extra social fund cash should support the introduction of new technology into firms with five or fewer workers.

The last ship being built on Tyneside



Last in a proud line: The replacement for Sir Galahad (Photograph: Allen Glenwright).

Navy delays cost Swan Hunter jobs

By Peter Davenport

Swan Hunter, the newly privatized warship yard, announced more than 800 redundancies on Tyneside yesterday, with the threat of more to come unless the Government fulfills promised orders.

The losses result from the firm's failure to win a Ministry of Defence contract for the first of a new class of Navy supply ships. That went to the Belfast yard of Harland and Wolff.

Yesterday's announcement of 825 redundancies by the end of the year was another grim chapter in the North-east's unfolding saga of worsening unemployment queues.

In the past few weeks, the region has lost 2,500 jobs in the British Shipbuilders' cutback of almost 3,500, and 790 jobs were cut by Northern Engineering Industries at factories in Newcastle and Gateshead.

Behind yesterday's announcement by Swan Hunter is an increasing impatience and anger with the Government at its failure, the company says, to fulfill promises to place further ministry work on the Tyne.

To avoid further cuts by the autumn from the reduced workforce of 3,600, the firm said yesterday that it needed the Government to place "within months" the order for a Type 23 frigate first promised 17 months ago by the then Secretary of State for Defence, Mr Michael Heseltine.

It was said to be a compensation order, worth about £60 million and guaranteeing work for three years, to make up for the decision to award the contract for the first of the class on social grounds to the threatened Merseyside yard of Cammell Laird.

Mr Roger Vaughan, managing director in charge of procurement and development with Swan Hunter, said: "It is completely unbelievable why there is this delay. One might have thought the Government would have been glad to give some good news to the North-east. We find the delay inexplicable."

The company, bought from British Shipbuilders for £5 million last January, is also still waiting to be given the order for the second of the auxiliary oiler replenishment vessel, the first of which went to Belfast.

Swan Hunter is completing three frigates for the Royal Navy, and building a replacement for the landing craft, Sir Galahad, destroyed in the Falklands conflict. After that, order books are empty.

Of the job losses announced yesterday, 450 are steelworkers, 115 outfitters, 190 technical and design staff, and 70 management and supervisory staff. Although the company will ask for volunteers to go, compulsory redundancies will be unavoidable.

The company is exploring the possibility of securing overseas orders for warships and auxiliary vessels.

Union leaders in the yard are concerned that if the workforce continues to shrink, it may mean the end of the company.

American cash is given to SDLP

By Richard Ford

A furious political dispute erupted in Northern Ireland yesterday over American money being donated to the main party representing the province's nationalists.

The Social Democratic and Labour Party is to receive $30,000 (£20,350) to set up a research institute to help to educate party members and assist in policy formation.

The cash is coming from the National Endowment for Democracy fund, a trust set up by Congress in the United States two years ago.

The SDLP has established a limited company and is expecting to receive an initial payment of $10,000 soon, with a further $20,000 coming from money-raising efforts of the party and the National Democratic Institute, a branch of the American fund.

Mr Alban Maginnis, chairman of the SDLP, denied that the cash was linked to the Anglo-Irish Agreement or would affect the independence of the party. The money would not be used for any electoral operation.

An institute which would help the party to research policy and organizational technique would be set up in a separate building with a director and researchers.

The SDLP, which has formal links with the Democratic Party in the United States, has faced serious financial problems for several years. Mr John Hume, the party leader, has had to write to prominent business people asking for aid to enable the party to contest the numerous elections that have been held in the North during the past few years.

Unionists are furious, alleging it shows that American interests are deeply involved in the North. Mr Harold McCusker, deputy leader of the Official Unionists, said that the SDLP was "a party of beggars".

Solicitors oppose fee review body

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Law Society is opposing moves for an independent review body in place of the present direct negotiation of legal aid fees between the legal profession and the Government which will be debated in the House of Lords today.

Such a review body, recommended in the Royal Commission on Legal Services in 1979, is strongly supported by the Bar which wants the present mechanism of setting legal aid fees to be abolished.

The Law Society, which represents the solicitors' branch of the profession, agrees with the Bar that present arrangements - which have led to an angry and bitter dispute with the Government - are unsatisfactory and wants an independent element involved in the assessment of fees.

But it favours the creation of a review panel to provide an independent arbitration service between the profession and the Government only where specific differences arise, rather than a review body which would assess and recommend fee levels.

In a briefing paper to peers, the society reiterates its original objection to the proposal for a review or advisory body, arguing that it is "unlikely that the Government would agree ... because of the expense involved".

It calls for a review panel along the lines of that which exists for pharmacists. That would not be a standing body but would consider only specific points of dispute referred to it.

Its recommendations would not be binding but would "carry considerable weight", the society says. Successive governments have agreed to honour the recommendations of review bodies unless there is a compelling reason in the public interest not to do so; but frequently their proposals are not followed.

Supporters of such a body, however, say that at least a fair level of fees would be assessed independently and irrespective of public spending constraints; and any government rejection would be open and subject to scrutiny.

Mr Eric Hiley, the society's official dealing with remuneration, said yesterday: "This Government is not interested in creating another quango and such a panel would be a lot less expensive than a permanent review body."

The idea of a review body will be urged in the Lords today by Lord Benson, who was chairman of the Royal Commission on Legal Services.

A grunt in favour of piggery

By Robin Young

A trade union president yesterday entered a plea for a much maligned and potentially endangered species: the male chauvinist pig.

Mr John Scott-Garner, president of the National Communications Union, told his clerical group in conference at Blackpool: "We cannot banish centuries of male chauvinist piggery at a stroke. Try to tolerate us."

Miss Michelle Berry, a British Telecom assistant secretary in the West End of London, had told the group meeting that women delegates were suffering in the street, at their own group meeting, and from members of the predominantly male engineering group meeting in the hall next door.

"We are being harassed and embarrassed," she said. "We get 'Give us a kiss' remarks from trade unionists who should be more enlightened, while in the street there have been bottom-pinching incidents from other people."

Mr Scott-Garner tried to reassure his female followers. "People do not do these things deliberately," he claimed. Then, lest he be thought to be advancing a hypothesis of accidental bottom-pinching and involuntary propositioning, he added: "They do it as part of their culture."

The kiss-me-quick hat is, of course, familiar as a cultural accoutrement in Blackpool.

Mr Spike Wood, the clerical group's chairman, elaborated. It would take time, he said, to overcome the trouble. "Cultures have changed. What would have been tolerated in Victorian times will not be tolerated now."

That remark might arguably have been taken to refer to Miss Berry and others of her sex who object to complimentary invitations to speedy osculation, but no-one at the conference was ungentlemanly enough to reach so deeply prejudiced a conclusion.

With a few solemn grunts, the conference returned to its deliberations and Miss Berry and her colleagues enjoyed a quiet afternoon.

Voucher scheme for spectacles

National Health Service spectacles are to be abolished from July 1 and replaced by vouchers worth between £14.25 and £66 for those entitled to them.

The vouchers will go to those on supplementary benefit, to some others on low income, to children aged under 16 and to full-time students, aged under 19, all of whom qualify at present for the limited range of free NHS glasses.

Those who can afford to do so will be able to top-up the voucher, and people on low incomes may qualify for a partial voucher toward the cost of glasses. The announcement marks the final stage in the Government's introduction of competition in the spectacles market.

Mr Barney Hayhoe, Minister for Health, said that the value of the vouchers "reflect a careful assessment of present market prices, and there are good grounds for confidence that they will enable all who need spectacles, including complex lens-users and blind and visually handicapped people, to obtain them on financial terms generally no less favourable than those at present available through the NHS".

The Royal National Institute for the Blind has expressed reservations that the vouchers will not provide full cover for those needing the most complex lenses.

But Mr Hayhoe told the institute that "if it should become clear that there are real problems you can be confident that I will react sympathetically, whether by making any necessary changes in the detail of the scheme or, if necessary, considering alternative approaches to the needs of these especially important groups".

The institute said it believed, in general, that ministers had set the voucher values "at prices that opticians can and must meet". Mr Ian Hunter, general secretary of the Association of Optical Practitioners, which represents almost 5,000 opthalmic opticians, said: "No one would say that the voucher values are generous but in reality there will not be many people who will have problems getting specatcles for about that price."

The Federation of Opthalmic and Dispensing Opticians, which includes the high street opticians companies, welcomed the moves saying they would provide more choice.

● Two studies published in the *British Medical Journal* warn that GPs are still prescribing steroid eye drops for the wrong patients, more than 30 years after the first warnings that their misuse is potentially blinding, and that up to 750 people a year are suffering serious loss of sight as a result.

Princess Margaret arriving at Halton College of Further Education in Widnes, Cheshire, yesterday for her first public appearance since her return from West Berlin at the weekend.

The Princess complained of hoarseness after the sore throat which caused her to cancel an appearance at the weekend in a parade to mark the Queen's official birthday.

Looking thin and cheerful in a pink coat with black accessories, she later visited Victoria Road County Primary School in Runcorn, originally built for canal-boat children, which is celebrating its centenary.

There has been concern about Princess Margaret's health since an operation to remove a small part of her left lung in January last year. Reports that she is having continuing treatment for lung cancer have been dismissed by Buckingham Palace.

Victorian library sold to American

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

The library of Sir Richard Burton, the colourful Victorian traveller, author, mystic and expert on Oriental erotica, has been sold by the Royal Anthropological Institute to the Christensen Fund of California for $500,000. It is to be placed on indefinite loan to the Huntingdon Library of San Marino, California.

The first rumblings that the library was to be sold were heard four years ago and outrage was expressed that it should be leaving Britain. At that stage the institute had asked Sotheby's to find a buyer prepared to pay $1 million. A guarantee was required that the library should be kept intact and that it should be freely available to scholars.

A substantial number of the unpublished manuscripts in the collection have been photocopied for the British Library. An export licence has been granted and approval of the terms of sale by the Attorney General has been sought.

Sir Richard spoke 29 languages (40 including dialects) and his 50 or so books leave an invaluable record of the Middle East and Africa as he knew it in the mid-nineteenth century, a picture which was controversial in its day for its failure to observe a Victorian reticence on sexual matters.

His wife did not share his disdain for sexual conventions and burnt most of his private journals and manuscripts after his death. After Lady Burton's death in 1896, the library was saved by her secretary who negotiated its transfer to the Kensington Vestry.

The Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea inherited the collection. In 1955 possession was passed to the Royal Anthropological Institute.

The funds generated by the sale will be used to purchase a headquarters building for the institute. Sale room, page 18

University will pay off debts to save merger

University College, Cardiff, will pay off its accumulated £3.2 million debts to enable a planned merger with the University of Wales Institute of Science and Technology to go ahead in 1989, its vice-principal said yesterday.

Dr Alfred Moritz said the college had given only "preliminary consideration" to a government-commissioned report on its finances, which projects a much larger deficit by 1989 without big economies, including possible redundancies and departmental closures.

Cardiff was one of 18 universities and colleges to have its grant for next year reduced in cash terms. Ten departments were considered below average in academic research.

Two Scottish universities, Strathclyde and Stirling, have agreed a swap of academic staff to assist financial streamlining. Stirling, which received the maximum 0.5 per cent cut in grant for next year, intends to build up its environmental science department – which it considers strong – by taking on three geography dons from Strathclyde.

Games ruling attacked

The Government's refusal to help the financially hard-pressed forthcoming Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh was attacked yesterday by Mr Harry Ewing, Labour leisure spokesman (Ronald Faux writes).

The games chairman, Mr Ken Borthwick, had asked the Government to underwrite a possible shortfall of £1.5 million because more athletes had been attracted to Edinburgh than expected.

Yesterday Mr Ewing criticized the organizers for a lackadaisical approach and the Government for refusing to step in when the games were in financial difficulty.

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Discount war declared on flights to the US

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Since it began its transatlantic service almost three years ago, People Express has carried more than 800,000 passengers. A spokesman for the rival Virgin Atlantic said yesterday that it would still be economical to operate its flights with 30 seats sold at £56.

The authority is still considering an application lodged last week by the American Trans World Airlines for a £115 single fare for young passengers between 12 and 24 years of age travelling between Heathrow and New York.

Major airlines appear to be avoiding any direct price war. British Airways said yesterday: "We are promoting our services in another way, like our imaginative marketing scheme, "Go For It America": 5,600 winners are being informed now, and they will start to be flown over to Britain next week."

British Airways' current lowest fare to America is a £149 standby, matched by British Caledonian. The fares are the lowest of any transatlantic airline at present.

"We do not believe in cutting fares to unrealistic levels. We are in a different market to the low-price airlines; they cater more for the back-packer market and we rely heavily on business travellers," British Caledonian said.

"The troubles we have had this year have been caused by the American market, so that is where we are concentrating our promotion."

The Association of British Travel Agents welcomed the price-cutting move. "People Express have done a great job for the consumer and the price-cutting now with Virgin can only be tremendous for travellers. We applaud these airlines, especially because this time they are making it clear that the cheap fares do not apply to all seats on a plane, but to a limited number.

"In the past certain airlines confused customers by not publicizing this fact," the association said.

Until now the cheapest fare across the Atlantic was one of £55 offered by Northwest Orient Airlines last year, but it was a special introductory promotion to Detroit and lasted only for one month.

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Lecturer in 'rag' attack condemns polytechnic for organized violence

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

A law lecturer who was attacked by five students as part of a rag week prank at North East London Polytechnic has criticized the college's attitude to what she termed organized violence.

Miss Pamela Symes, aged 37, a former research fellow at Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge, said she is in constant pain and had not worked since the assault last term.

Her injuries, including severe back whiplash, for which she is receiving twice-weekly physiotherapy, and a damaged nerve in her arm, which causes pins and needles in the arm and fingers, have forced her to cancel a book contract.

A London University law professor, who is acquainted with the case but wished to remain anonymous, said: "In any other context this would be seen as a vicious attack, a mugging. I personally feel that the polytechnic has behaved quite appallingly."

Mr Robert Rhodes James, Conservative MP for Cambridge, said yesterday that he was shocked by the case and would be taking it up with Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science.

It was revealed this week that four students still at the polytechnic were given a formal warning and the student union was fined £200 for the attack. The fifth person involved was a former law student.

The students, wearing balaclavas and combat gear, were allegedly commissioned by other students to carry out the rag week attack as members of a so-called "hit squad".

Miss Symes, who is married with four children, said that the attack took place after the students burst into a lecture theatre on March 20. "My arms were grabbed and I was struck violently in the face and everything went black. They thrust a substance into my eyes, and while I was struggling with that, four of them were simultaneously hitting me. I was pushed to the back of the room and then dragged forward again.

"It was all very quick and frightening, and when the attack was over a fifth person with a camera took a flash photograph of me. It only took about 12 seconds but in that space of time they managed to inflict quite a lot of damage."

She said that the reaction of her students indicated the attack was premeditated. She had called out twice for help before a student led her to the cloakroom, where she had helped her to clean up and pointed out red marks on her face and the back of her neck.

Miss Symes said that she had returned to the lecture hall in a state of shock and asked those who had prior knowledge of the attack to speak up. "Nobody admitted anything but clearly a number of them were expecting the 'hit' to take place."

Other staff members were horrified by the attack and the law department had withdrawn its labour for a week. Miss Symes was seen by a doctor the same night but the injuries did not begin to show properly until the next day, when she suffered swelling and severe pain. Five days later she had a full examination by a physiotherapist.

His report said that she had been repeatedly slapped about the face and hit in the abdomen, breasts and kidneys. Miss Symes said: "I could hardly move. There was pain the the length of my spine, my left arm was extremely sore and there was constant streaming from my left eye, with a continual headache." She was later referred to a hospital neurosurgeon.

Miss Symes said she did not know why she had been singled out for the attack. She described it as a criminal assault which should have been treated as such.

"I am very concerned at the extent of organized violence which exists within the polytechnic and has been condoned by the authorities. I understand this is not the first year of 'hit squad' activities. There have been numerous attacks on students and lecturers in this and other years.

"Students are not above the criminal law. There should not be one law for youths in Brixton and another for students in an instituition of higher education," she said.

She added that the polytechnic had taken two months to deal with the students involved in the attack, that summary proceedings were brought rather than disciplinary proceedings before a committee, and that she was not called to give evidence. The students had remained at large on the campus and were able to take their examinations.

Miss Symes said that the polytechnic put pressure on her not to go to the police, but she had eventually done so. They had allowed the college to pursue the affair itself.

Miss Symes's husband, Dr Hew Strachan, dean of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, has written to North East London Polytechnic to protest at the way in which the affair was handled. "I would hope that at Cambridge all this would have been resolved with considerably greater expedition. I also think that, given the gravity of the offence, the assailants could have expected much stiffer punishment."

Mr Peter Toyne, deputy rector of the polytechnic, said yesterday that the incident had been treated seriously and with all urgency. "But it was an event that took place in rag week. It was a rag week stunt that may have gone wrong. We have done all we could to identify the students and punish them."

He said that the delay had been caused by a month's holiday. The students' union was immediately fined £200 and told it would be suspended as a union unless it produced the assailants' names. "As soon as we knew who the individuals were we took action," he said.

Mr Gerry Fowler, the polytechnic's rector, was brought back from sabbatical leave to chair the disciplinary hearing and formal reprimands had been issued. Those would be reported to the governing body.

Miss Pamela Symes, a law lecturer, who was attacked by students in a rag week stunt (Photograph: Dod Miller).

Satellite TV boost to bookies' image

By Bill Johnstone
Technology Correspondent

Thousands of high street bookmakers are preparing to introduce a £50 million satellite television service which will give punters live coverage of a large range of sporting events on which they can gamble. It is part of the bookmakers' attempts to make betting shops more attractive.

The final details are being refined by Satellite Racing Development — a consortium composed of Mecca, William Hill, Coral and Ladbrokes — and British Telecom, which will be responsible for developing, installing and operating the network.

The service will begin under trial in the autumn and be fully operational by the end of the year.

The recent relaxation in law has allowed television sets and other amenities, such as soft drinks, to be made available in betting shops.

The consortium plan will require permission from the Racecourse Association. Others will compete for the right to offer a service to the bookies.

Each shop will have a satellite antenna — a dish about 1.3 m in diameter — pointing towards a satellite. The television pictures from each event will be fed to a London studio then beamed via satellite to the high street shops to be displayed on colour television sets. Other information, such as betting prices, will be transmitted by telephone to a central computer based at the same London headquarters. That information will be flashed by satellite to the shops and displayed on videotext sets.

Within 18 months about 8,000 of Britain's betting shops are expected to be on the new network.

Police framed man for Tory bomb, QC says

Police officers framed a man for the Brighton bombing in an attempt to retrieve their credibility, it was alleged at the Central Criminal Court yesterday.

Mr Richard Ferguson, QC, a defence counsel, said that the police selected his client, Patrick Magee, aged 35, to be "the villain of the piece".

He accused them of checking that Mr Magee had no cast-iron alibi then planting his fingerprints on a registration card at the Grand Hotel, Brighton, where a bomb exploded in October 1984 killing five people attending the Conservative Party conference.

Mr Ferguson, making his closing speech on the nineteenth day of Mr Magee's trial, said that the allegation was not one he made lightly.

"Certainly it is an allegation which might invoke little favour were it made in an ordinary case. But this is no ordinary case. You had an entire police force under pressure.

"You can imagine the furore which followed this bomb: Whose fault was it, what about the security?

"You may think the only way the police could redeem themselves was to find someone as a defendant and to charge him or her with the bombing.

"There was no other way they could retrieve their credibility. That, we say, is what happened and Magee was the likely suspect."

Mr Ferguson told the jury: "The question is whether you are sure that Patrick Magee was the Brighton bomber, not just for today but for the future, and whether you have the courage and integrity to prevent his name going down in history as the Brighton bomber."

Mr Magee is accused of planting the device in room 629 at the Grand Hotel a month before it went off, causing the explosion and killing the five people who died.

He and four others are charged with plotting to cause explosions in London and other towns last summer.

The other defendants are Gerard McDonnel, aged 34, Peter Sherry, aged 30, Martina Anderson, aged 23, and Ella O'Dwyer, aged 26. All plead not guilty.

The trial continues today.

Boy found dying 'had many dog-bite marks'

A boy's love of animals may have led to his death, an inquest at Loughborough, Leicestershire, was told.

David Clarke, aged seven, who was found dying in a snow-covered field near his home in Wymeswold Road, Hoton, last February, had "severe and numerous" dog-bite marks. Sitting next to him was a boxer puppy.

Mr Philip Tomlinson, the North Leicestershire Coroner, said that there was a great deal which was still unexplained and for that reason he would record an open verdict.

Dr Dennis Bouche, a consultant pathologist, said that casts taken of the boxer's jaw and those of two other boxers showed clearly that two of the dogs had bitten the boy.

Death was due to exposure in sub-zero temperatures.

Home prices rise by 5%

By Richard Lander

Falling mortgage rates, rising real incomes and the advent of the traditional spring buying season pushed house prices up by a full 5 per cent in the past three months, the fastest increase for almost six years, the Halifax Building Society said yesterday.

The Halifax House Price Index also showed that the average house now costs £37,800, 11 per cent more than a year ago. That far outstrips the Retail Price Index which rose 3 per cent in the year to April.

House inflation was even higher in the more prosperous South, with prices in Greater London rising 20 per cent in the past year and dwellings in the South-east becoming 16.1 per cent more expensive.

Although the Halifax started its index only in 1983, the Building Societies Association said that the 5 per cent quarterly rise was the greatest since the autumn of 1979, when a 6.7 per cent increase was registered.

Yesterday's figures were released two days after the main building societies cut their mortgage rates from 12 to 11 per cent, reducing monthly repayments on a £25,000 mortgage taken out over 25 years by £11.89 a month.

Stiff competition in recent months between building societies and banks to attract new mortgage customers has also led to incentives such as lower interest rates for the first year being offered.

The Halifax and the association expect the house price surge to survive the spring moving period and are forecasting an overall 10-11 per cent increase in house inflation for 1986.

Brave policeman to go back to his old beat

George Hammond, the police constable who survived after being stabbed with a 12-inch butcher's knife, has won his battle to return to work.

Next Monday he will rejoin his colleagues at East Dulwich police station.

He was stabbed 17 months ago by a thief aged 17 at a sweet shop and was given 300 pints of blood, a kidney transplant and a new heart valve.

PC Hammond admitted yesterday that he often thought he would never be able to return, but added: "I need to get back to work, although it is probably a bit soon. My legs and my stomach still aren't quite right.

"The surgeon said my stomach is like Clapham Junction and there is a lot missing, but the doctors are quite happy about me going back to work."

PC Hammond, aged 49, was in Central London yesterday to help to promote Radio London's Bloodline campaign to attract new blood donors.

He presented the campaign's 5,000th donor, Angela Lloyd, aged 21, of Uxbridge, west London, with a commemorative goblet.

"People should give blood," he said. "You never know when you might need it yourself."

Police Constable George Hammond yesterday with (left) Angela Lloyd, a blood donor, and WPC Judy Holder (Photograph: Ros Drinkwater).

Attack on tobacco warnings

By Nicholas Timmins
Social Services Correspondent

A Bill to place health warnings on the front and back of cigarette packets and in prominent positions on all other tobacco products has been tabled in Parliament by Mr Archie Kirkwood, the Liberal health spokesman.

The Bill has the support of the British Medical Association which is backing five separate attempts to tighten legislation on tobacco health warnings, advertising and promotion.

Mr Kirkwood said yesterday that the warnings should state bluntly that cigarettes cause lung cancer, heart disease and bronchitis, not simply that they "can" cause such diseases as described in the six health warnings recently agreed upon by the Department of Health and the tobacco industry.

He said that with 100,000 premature deaths and 50 million working days lost each year through smoking, and 40 per cent of people aged 16 smoking against just over 30 per cent of adults, "people have to be given the information they require to enable them to make an objective choice about smoking".

Health warnings on packets were now so familiar their value was diminished, he said.

MPs' boat race crosses party lines

By Philip Webster

MPs are to stage their own boat race in an attempt to raise £20,000 for their parish church, St Margaret's in Westminster.

Work in the Palace of Westminster may come to halt on July 16 as more than 20 scratch eight crews, mainly MPs and peers but also staff at the Commons, fight out the Westminster regatta, a knock-out tournament on a short marked course on the Thames between Westminster and Lambeth bridges.

The event is the idea of Mr Colin Moynihan, Conservative MP for Lewisham East, who coxed the Oxford boat race crew in 1977 and the British Olympic eights team in 1980 and 1984.

He is urging MPs to raise the final £20,000 for the £900,000 appeal launched by Mr Bernard Weatherill, Speaker of the Commons, to repair and clean the decaying St Margaret's, which has been used for centuries by parliamentarians as their local church.

The appeal is expected to reach £880,000 by the start of the summer recess.

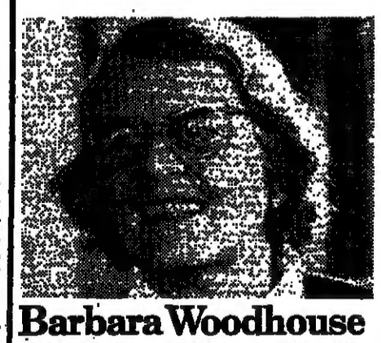
The regatta organizers are hoping to raise £1,000 a boat through sponsorship for the event, to take place in full view of Parliament's terrace.

Mr Moynihan is making clear to his colleagues that no experience of rowing is required, a fact illustrated by his first entry. That boat will be coxed by Mr David Lightbown, Conservative MP for Staffordshire South East, who weighs in at a conservative 18 stone, more than twice the bulk of two of his crew members, Mr Alistair Burt, Conservative MP for Bury North, and Mr Moynihan. Party lines can be crossed. Other members of the first team to enter include Mrs Edwina Currie, Conservative MP for Derbyshire South, Mr George Foulkes, Labour Party foreign affairs spokesman, Mr Simon Hughes, Liberal MP for Southwark and Bermondsey, and Mr Gerry Malone, a Government Whip.

The organizers hope that teams from the Commons library, the police, the Offical Report (Hansard) and even the Press Gallery will take part.

Patricia Neal

The Oscar-winning film star, at the height of her career, was struck by a serious stroke and is now restored to a fully active life as an actress and in community work. She flew from America to launch the National Stroke Campaign this week.



Barbara Woodhouse

The dog trainer and TV personality, with characteristic determination, set about rehabilitating herself after the stroke she suffered in 1984. She is working enthusiastically for the National Stroke Campaign and is appealing particularly for support from dog lovers.

Cliff Morgan

The great Welsh Rugby International fought back to a notable career in TV and radio after suffering a stroke in 1972. He has featured in a most moving film about stroke and is one of the Campaign's most active supporters.

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Government willing to consider change in law on trespass

CONVOY

If the law on trespass was inadequate the Government would consider amending it, Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during Commons questions when asked about the hippy "peace convoy" which on Monday was camped on common land in the New Forest.

She said she shared the distaste expressed with the whole matter. There was loud laughter when she told MPs that a social security officer was attached to the peace convoy to prevent fraudulent benefit claims.

She was replying to Mr James Spicer (West Dorset, C) who had asked her to join with him in praising the Dorset police for the firm but fair way they had handled the so-called peace convoy at the weekend.

Most people are puzzled (he added) that such trespass and such disruption on our highways can be allowed to continue.

Mr Andrew MacKay (East Berkshire, C): While I am delighted that she will look at the question of trespass and the law, is she satisfied that the law is being obeyed to the extent that benefits are being properly paid to these hippies?

Is she satisfied their children are being properly educated under the law and satisfied health legislation is being properly enacted in respect of them?

Mrs Thatcher: Police powers on vehicles and registrations is wholly a matter for the police. On the benefits they are receiving, so that there should be no possibility of fraud or that they appear at one benefit office having got benefit at another, there is a social security officer attached to them to see that duplication does not occur. (Laughter)

Yes, I had exactly the same reaction as MPs when I read that, but then I was told there was a tendency for them to apply to one office, go on to another and also to apply, and the social security thought it important to take action to avoid that.

●The Prime Minister's assurance about a possible change in the law was repeated later by **Mr Douglas Hurd**, the Home Secretary, when he answered a private notice question about the hippy "peace convoy".

If changes to the law — on top of those recently made, and others proposed for the near future — were needed (he said) the Government would not hesitate to make them.

The Lord Chancellor (Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone) was urgently considering how the civil law might be streamlined to allow more speedy recovery of land under such circumstances. The convoy was anything but peaceful.

It resembles (he went on) a band of medieval brigands, with no respect for the law and the rights of others.

Mr Hurd told MPs that the Public Order Bill now before Parliament would further strengthen police powers over threatening behaviour and disorderly conduct when committed on private land.

However, there were strong arguments against making simple trespass a criminal offence. No one wanted to criminalize ramblers walking across a field, or genuine gypsies.

The Government was discussing with the police, the National Farmers' Union and the Country Landowners' Association whether further strengthening of the law was required and, if it was, what form it should take.

No one should under-estimate the difficulties of policing the convoy. The convoy was not entitled to special treatment or exemptions simply because its members wished to contract out of their responsibilities as citizens.

Mr Patrick McNair-Wilson (New Forest, C) said this large, unruly and anarchic group, which had been in existence in one form or another for many years, travelled with their own legal adviser in vehicles, many of which were untaxed, untested and uninsured.

McNair-Wilson: Why can they not be got off the road?

Why could not action be taken to get them off the road?

Passing the problem from his constituents to someone else was no answer.

What was going to be done to break up this group into a manageable size?

Mr Hurd agreed that it was not enough to speed the so-called peace convoy on its way without regard to their law-breaking activities.

However, the law as it stood meant that the police had no power to prevent the further movement of those vehicles.

Mr Paddy Ashdown (Yeovil, L) wanted to know why the Government had failed to respond to the request by Somerset County Council, a year ago, as to where responsibility for the matter rested.

The Government's indecision had left the police with a law that was unenforceable or inadequate and farmers with a major threat to their livelihood (Conservative protests).

Would Mr Hurd grasp the nettle and provide the police with the resources they needed to enforce the law? (Loud Conservative protests).

Would he strengthen the law on trespass in relation to mass trespass with vehicles?

The Government should provide facilities for the convoy so that their freedom did not impinge on the freedom of others.

Mr Hurd said if any additional powers were required, the Government would not hesitate to introduce them.

Mr Robert Key (Salisbury, C) said his constituents were angry and frightened. In seeking a solution it was essential to have a cooling-off period. He called for an independent inquiry to report, in days not months, on what had happened. The travellers must not battle their way to Stonehenge this year because that would lead to more trouble.

Mr Hurd said he was not sure an independent inquiry would do good. They had to support the police in their efforts to enforce existing law, get the Public Order Bill on the statute book and see if further powers were required.

Mr Donald Anderson (Swansea East, Lab): Many who had sympathy with the convoy were frightened by the emotions the incident had whipped up among Conservative MPs.

Mr Hurd: The emotion is genuine and understandable and is not confined to supporters of one political party

Mr Clive Soley (Hammersmith, Lab), an Opposition spokesman on home affairs: The Home Secretary may have the matter in hand, but certainly not under control.

If the Home Secretarty persists in using the police as if they were the Tory Party's private army, he will continue to whip up hostility in the police because they do not like being used in that role when it is not necessary.

A minority in his party is betrayingg dangerously fascist symptoms when it talks of making people conform. That is precisely the language used in Nazi Germany and if they failed to conform they put them in concentration camps and gas chambers. Does he renounce that behaviour by his party's supporters?

Mr Hurd said that Mr Soley had turned this into a party political issue. His remarks bore no relation to reality. If sites were provided for these people, he did not think they would sit in them or abide by them.

Salt 2 should be observed

ARMS CONTROL

It was important that the Salt 2 agreement continue to be observed by both the Soviet Union and the United States, Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said in the Commons. President Reagan was in fact observing Salt 2, she added, and leaving the door open for the Soviet Union to comply, too.

She was replying to **Mr Roy Hattersley**, Deputy Leader of the Opposition, who said she was humiliating Britain by always dancing to the President's tune, an observation which Mrs Thatcher dismissed as utter nonsense.

Mr Hattersley asked: What pressure does the Prime Minister propose to exert on President Reagan to persuade him not to abandon the Salt 2 agreement and thus jeopardize the prospects of an autumn summit?

Mrs Thatcher: We regard it as important that the Salt 2 agreement continue to be observed by both sides. When President Reagan gave warning that unless the Soviet Union complied with Salt 2 he would make different arrangements from November, at the same time he dismantled two Poseidon submarines in agreement with Salt 2. We wish it still to be regarded on both sides and hope it will continue to be so.

Mr Hattersley: Will she answer the question? (Conservative shouts of: She did!) Does she believe that the President should abandon Salt 2, or that what I think she calls the Russian case to answer is itself a justification for abrogation?

Mrs Thatcher: He will never say anything about the Soviet Union — (Labour protests) — never, never, never. I make it clear I hope Salt 2 will continue to be observed on both sides. President Reagan has just observed Salt 2 by dismantling and breaking up two Poseidon submarines in accordance with Salt 2. I hope both sides will continue to comply.

Mr Hattersley: The House and the country know perfectly well why she will not give a straight answer to that question.

Why does she humiliate herself and this country by always dancing to President Reagan's tune? Does she not think, in the matter of world peace, she has a duty to speak for this country rather than wait to be told what to say by the President of the United States?

Mrs Thatcher: He is talking utter nonsense. I hope Salt 2 will continue to be observed. The US at present is observing Salt 2 by dismantling two Poseidon submarines. It is leaving the door open for the Soviet Union to come to compliance with Salt 2 and I hope it will. There is a clear opportunity for the Soviet Union to respond positively.

Dr David Owen, Leader of the SDP: How can President Reagan expect Mr Gorbachov to visit him in Washington in December if in November he has increased the number of cruise missiles on the B 52 aircraft? Surely the Prime Minister ought to show her convictions and say abandonment of Salt 2 would be a disaster and something her Government would not support?

Mrs Thatcher: I hope he will make it equally clear that if there is an agreement it has to be complied with on both sides. The United States is complying with it. It has given a number of details in which it thinks the Soviet Union is not complying with it.

The Soviet Union reply has not dealt with these non-compliance points. I hope he at least will agree both sides must comply with an agreement.

Mr Frank Dobson (Holborn and St Pancras, Lab): What credence can the Prime Minister place in the reasons that President Reagan has given for withdrawing from the Salt treaty when he has personally misled her over the accuracy of F111 bombers in the raid on Libya?

Mrs Thatcher: I totally and utterly reject his assertion. When the President made the announcement he simultaneously acted in accordance with Salt 2 by dismantling and breaking up two Poseidon submarines. One could have no better evidence that that.

Mr Anthony Nelson (Chichester, C): There will be widespread public support for her restatement of the mutual obligations under the Salt treaty. Would she agree that treaties lightly cast aside might be lightly entered into?

Mrs Thatcher: Treaties should not be lightly entered into. This one was not lightly entered into. It was never ratified by the United States because in the meantime the Soviet Union went into Afghanistan, a country they still occupy. Nevertheless, the United States continue to observe it and I believe is anxious that both sides should continue to observe it.

Denning's advice on inflatable dolls

HOUSE OF LORDS

If the law could not be changed to prevent the importation of inflatable rubber dolls then the courts in this country should cock a snook at the adverse ruling of the European Court, Lord Denning, former Master of the Rolls, suggested during question time in the House of Lords.

The subject had been raised by **Lord Nugent of Guildford** (C) who asked for the Government's conclusion on the judgment of the European Court to overturn the ban by Customs and Excise on the importation of the dolls.

Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Employment, said: Under the Treaty of Rome the Government is bound by the judgment of the European Court of Justice. Henceforth Customs and Excise will apply their controls on imported goods in line with the Court's judgment.

Lord Nugent of Guildford: Could he not ask the Home Secretary to study the 1959 Obscene Publications Act and consider drafting an amending Bill which would add manufacturing as well as publication to the Act?

Lord Young of Graffham: In accordance with the judgment we have to apply the same test on these goods imported between one member state and another as goods on sale within the United Kingdom. I will draw this to the attention of the Home Secretary.

Lord Denning: The Customs and Excise was right in condemning these articles as obscene and indecent and the courts here were right and justified on the grounds of the Treaty of Rome by reason of public morality.

In these circumstances are we not entitled to go by the Treaty of Rome itself and to ignore the wrong decisions of the European Court, or cannot we tell our courts to cock asnook at them?

Lord Young of Graffham: The European Court has said we should apply the same test on importing over our national boundary as that applied to sale of these articles within the United Kingdom. They are not classified as indecent and obscene and they are allowed to be sold within the United Kingdom.

Lord Bruce of Donington (Lab): The only reason for the judgment was that it is still permissible to manufacture and distribute these articles in this country. If there is any doubt about this will he consider putting an amendment to the European Communities (Amendment) Bill that is going through the House to redress this matter?

Lord Young of Graffham: It is a matter for the Home Secretary or anyone to introduce an amendment at any time.

Lady Mar (Ind): Is it not better that men should obtain satisfaction from rubber ladies in private rather than going round terrorizing and raping women in the streets?

Lord Young of Graffham: I cannot see the connection, but it is not a matter for me.

PM wants economies suggested

SPENDING

Mr Terence Higgins (Worthing, C), chairman of the Treasury and Civil Service Select Committee, asked the Prime Minister during questions in the Commons to accept the recommendation of that committee to debate public expenditure before beginning on the annual review rather than after it was all over. This would provide an opportunity, he said, to state views on priorities particularly regarding overseas aid following the tremendous response to Sport Aid.

Mrs Thatcher: I am sure he can speak later today on any matter relating to public expenditure under the economic heading. Regarding overseas aid for Africa, last year we spent £550 million, taking into account sums put through multilateral agencies in addition to bilateral aid.

Mr Robin Squire (Hornchurch, C): When the Cabinet discusses public expenditure in the near future, will she look in particular at housing, including particularly the phasing out of bed and breakfast accommodation for the homeless, which is expensive and unnecessary, and reintroduce higher improvement grants, a classic illustration of the way in which public money can stimulate greater private investment?

Mrs Thatcher: I notice that if he is proposing any additional expenditure, he carefully proposes economies equal to that additional expenditure. I hope his example will be followed by all other MPs.

Mr Robert Litherland (Manchester Central, Lab): Does she agree with Bob Geldof's vivid description of the Foreign Secretary's speech at the UN? Was it not a fair and just assessment of the cant and hypocrisy of this Government's aid to the third world compared with the events of Live Aid?

Mrs Thatcher: There are 550 million reasons why that assertion is not true. £550 million was given by the taxpayers through this Government in one year to Africa, both in bilateral and in multi-lateral aid.

Lawson's warning to voters on cost of Labour policies

THE ECONOMY

Let no one take tax cuts for granted, **Mr Nigel Lawson**, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, said at the opening of a debate on an Opposition motion of Government economic policies and the level of unemployment.

If we fail to control public expenditure (he said) it will not be a question of how much the burden of taxation on ordinary families can be reduced, it will be a question of how much it is to go up.

If Labour were ever to regain office it would go up massively. It was manifest nonsense to say Labour's programme could be paid for by taxing the so-called rich. The sums simply did not add up.

We need to continue (he said) the process of reducing the burden of taxation not as a social service but as a moral duty and an essential means of improving our national economic performance.

Since the Government had come to office it had lightened the burden of tax for those on the top of the income scale, where it approached confiscation, and on the bottom, where hardship was greatest, but ordinary people paid 38 per cent of every extra pound they earned and that was too much.

This was a moment of opportunity for British industry. Inflation had gone down sharply. World markets were about the expand again as the benefits of the oil price fall began to flow through. Whether that opportunity was grasped successfully would depend on management ability to control unit labour costs — the achilles heel of industry. Improvement in Britain's labour costs would facilitate further reductions in interest rates.

Opening the debate, **Mr Roy Hattersley**, chief Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs, moved an Opposition motion strongly condemning the Government's economic policies which had led to the highest ever level of unemployment.

He said that the Government had no strategy for the reduction of unemployment and precious little concern for the unemployed. In Budget after Budget there were only diversions, gimmicks, exhortations to be patient and the pretence that the Government was creating the conditions in which unemployment would naturally fall. They had heard that for seven years.

The question was: When would a sustained reduction in unemployment begin?

On OECD figures (he said) we have lost more jobs since 1979 than all the rest of the EEC put together, very largely because of the Government's policies.

The Government had expressed concern that earnings were outstripping inflation. However, when it was convenient, in party political broadcasts for example, the Government boasted about earnings outstripping inflation.

Is the Government pleased (he asked), or is it sorry that wage increases had bounded away over the last two years?

It was the people who received those increases to whom the Secreatary of State for Employment (Lord Young of Graffham) was referring when he had said: "We have never had it so good for the 87 per cent who are in work."

That statement had combined ignorance, callousness, cynicism and stupidity in equal measure.

It was stupid because it did not take account of the fact that even the prosperous could not enjoy the full fruits of their prosperity in a society divided between employed and unemployed, rich and poor.

Unless the nation spent money now on rebuilding a dilapidated Britain, then in five, 10 or 20 years' time, it would not be able to afford the escalating cost of deprivation.

A concentrated campaign to get Britain back to work was the sensible option, in the self-interest of all — by improving the environment and removing the kind of despair that had led to the present crime wave.

Litter would not be cleared up in Britain by Mr Richard Branson. It might be cleared, though, if unemployed youths were no longer standing on street corners in every city and if councils could do adequate street cleaning.

To achieve the aim of getting Britain back to work, Labour would specify firm targets for borrowing and spending and would remain within those targets while concentrating on job creation.

To achieve that reduction (he said) I concede at once that the next Labour Government will have to postpone some policies which would be desirable in themselves and necessary to it.

But I shall continue to say that it is our overwhelming intention to make every other objective secondary to the reduction of unemployment.

Mr Lawson, moving a Government amendment congratulating the Government on the success of its economic policies in securing the lowest rate of inflation for more than 18 years and steadily rising employment, said thatsince June 1983 the economy had been growing at 3 per cent a year, the fastest rate of growth in the European Community, inflation had fallen to 3 per cent, the number of jobs, despite what Mr Hattersley had said, had risen by almost one million, industrial investment was up by 32 per cent, manufacturing productivity up by 8.5 per cent, manufacturing exports up by 19 per cent, and manufacturing investment up by 31 per cent.

The Government had weathered the two storms of the coal strike and the oil price fall in a way which would not have been possible if it had taken the advice of its critics and abandoned its consistent economic policy.

Figures out today showed that since the turn of the year, while the oil price had tumbled, foreign exchange reserves had risen by very nearly one billion dollars. There was the prospect of continued low inflation in the months and years ahead.

Mr Richard Wainwright (Colne Valley,L) said there should be a combined national assault on unemployment under sincere national leadership involving trade unions, employers, central and local government, in a willingness to accept the discipline necessary.

The privileges enjoyed by all those separate sectors would have to be moderated

The Opposition motion was rejected by 323 votes to 200 - Government majority, 123.

Administrative and clerical staff review

HEALTH SERVICE

The Government is concerned that administrative and clerical staffing levels in the National Health Service should be controlled so that resources can be concentrated on direct patient care, **Mr Raymond Whitney**, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said

Although the contribution of administrative staff to the running of the NHS was necessary and valuable, there was still scope for improvement in the use and efficiency of this staff group and the NHS Management Board was conducting a review of administrative and clerical staffing to see what action was needed, he added.

Mr David Evennett (Erith and Crayford, C) complained that in the South-East Thames region, for every doctor there were three administrators and administration was taking far too much of resources.

Opportunity for Swan Hunter if price right

SHIPBUILDING

There were possibilities for the Swan Hunter shipyards on Tyneside if they could manufacture down to the right price, Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister, said during Commons question time when asked about the latest redundancies there by **Mr Donald Dixon** (Jarrow, Lab).

He pointed out that in the Northern region more than 23,500 jobs had been lost in the heavy manufacturing industry last year.

Today (he went on) Swan Hunter is announcing massive redundancies and this is on top of those already announced in the shipbuilding, steel and engineering industries.

When will she do something to save our industrial base? Or is she prepared to sit back and allow this country to become what Napoleon once described as a nation of shopkeepers?

Mrs Thatcher: The North East has suffered because there was a particular concentration of heavy industries there. That is why regional aid is concentrated on that area in order to try to get extra help to go there.

The second oil replenishment vessel was brought forward especially for Swan Hunter, subject to price. They had the second of the Type 23 frigates, subject to price, and are able to bid for a further Type 23 frigate. So there are possibilities for Swan Hunter if they can manufacture down to the price.

●Later the Speaker, Mr Bernard Weatherill, turned down an application by **Mr Edward Garrett** (Wallsend, Lab) for an emergency debate on the annoucement that Swan Hunter were to declare immediately 825 employees redundant.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Building Societies Bill, remaining stages.
Lords (2.30): Debates on criminal legal aid and on Nuffield Foundation report on pharmacy.

New jobs office to be set up in Cornwall

TIN MINING

It would shortly be possible to set up an office in close proximity to the Geevor tin mine with three officials to administer the Business Improvement Services scheme for promoting new jobs in areas with declining industries, **Mr Peter Morrison**, Minister of State for Trade and Industry, said in the Commons.

Mr David Harris (St Ives, C) said the Government's rejection of the Geevor request for financial help following the recent collapse of tin prices had caused deep dismay in west Cornwall.

Mr David Penhaligon (Truro, L) said the decision had destroyed a community, life style and tradition and created an inevitable 50 per cent unemployment in the affected area. If the 300 miners had bought clapped-out vehicles and wigwams and had camped in Hyde Park MPs and journalists would pay far more attention to the tragedy.

Mr Morrison said the whole House had rightly paid a lot of attention to the miners' predicament and Mr Penhaligon's figure was grossly exaggerated.

Mr Alan Williams (Swansea West, Lab), an Opposition spokesman on trade and industry: Has the Government no sense of the absurd? To offer £1 million aid to the area is so derisory as to be a gross insult.

Mr Morrison: He anticipates the response to the further applications. On Geevor, I would like just as much as he would to give grants so that that mine could become commercially viable. It did not prove possible to do so.

Regulations on pensions out soon

Consultation is almost complete on regulations about managers of occupational pension schemes and they will be published as soon as possible, **Mr John Major**, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said during Commons questions. He said that only two sets of regulations arising from the Social Security Act 1985 remained to be published.

Mr Michael Stern (Bristol North West, C) had complained also that none of those appointed to advise the minister on pensions could be said to represent the consumer interest.

Mr Major said that the advisory group was to give advice about technicalities and there would be consultation with consumer interests. Disclosure regulations would be published later this month.

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Cuts 'changing prisons into universities of crime'

By Sheila Gunn, Political Staff

Government cuts had led to prisons becoming "universities of crime" with inmates spending their days in overcrowded cells plotting crimes and trafficking in drugs, prison governors and officers' representatives said yesterday.

They described a vicious spiral of too many inmates and too few classes and workshops, encouraging prisoners to commit more offences when they were released.

Mr James Kaye, assistant secretary of the Prison Governors' Association, told the Commons' Education Select Committee of a prisoner who had for several years collected letters he could not read, because he did not want to admit he was illiterate.

He said, during the committee's inquiry into prison education, that prisons had become universities of crime, and added that the priority must be to teach inmates the three Rs.

Many illiterate inmates were too embarrassed to go to their local social security office on release.

He blamed the closure of prison workshops, the recent sharp increase in overcrowding and the shortage of prison staff for the collapse of the education and employment opportunities in prisons.

He was supported by two officials of the prison governors' branch of the Society of Civil and Public Servants.

The society said in written evidence that another 6,000 prison officers were needed if overtime was to be cut. That contrasts with the recent report to the Home Office on shift systems, which concluded that there was staff wastage of up to 20 per cent.

The society called for a law setting out positive and constructive prison regimes. Mr Chris Scott, a governor of Birmingham prison, said: "Society cannot reduce a man any lower than by sending him to prison and therefore it is absolutely imperative to give them opportunities." Mr Terry Bone, principal of Wakefield prison officers' training college, said overcrowding in Britain's prisons was a disgrace.

Holloway prison reforms 'urgent'

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

Nearly a year after a Home Office committee recommended reforms at Holloway women's prison, north London, there has been no significant improvement, the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders said yesterday.

When the committee was set up there was growing public concern about serious incidents of self injury among women in C1, Holloway's psychiatric unit. The committee recommended that C1 should be replaced by a purpose-built unit, and the existing unit be improved

A Nacro briefing paper, citing criticism in the House of Lords, said that last November alone there were six cases of self-mutilation. Work on modifications to 10 cells was not begun until February and is due to be completed by the end of August.

Miss Vivien Stern, Nacro's director, said yesterday: "The implementation of the committee's proposals remains of the greatest urgency."

New move to identify Nato force

By Rodney Cowton
Defence Correspondent

The Ministry of Defence has announced plans for adopting an identification system to ensure that Nato land, sea and air forces do not attack each other in war in mistake for the enemy. Full adoption of the system will be one of the biggest programmes undertaken by Nato, and will cost billions of pounds and probably take decades to implement.

Agreement was reached last year between the United States, West Germany, Britain and France on the basis of a Nato identification system. Now Lord Trefgarne, Minister of State for Defence Procurement, has announced the awarding of a contract, thought to be worth up to £10 million, to a company formed jointly by Cossor and Plessey for a project definition study on the application of the Nato system in the British forces.

The new identification system will enable Nato forces clearly to pick out friendly ships and aircraft. The Ministry of Defence said that the existing system would become obsolete in the 1990s.

Councils urged to oppose Times ban

By a Staff Reporter

County councils are being urged by The Library Association to oppose any ban on News International titles being stocked in public libraries.

Mr George Cunningham, chief executive of The Library Association, has written to the Association of County Councils urging them to "oppose the imposition of this kind of ban".

He says: "In our view it is manifestly not right that councillors should allow their personal opinions on a political or industrial matter to stand in the way of the right of access of the public to all publications which can reasonably be provided."

The association will consider his letter on June 10.

Twelve Labour authorities, none of them county councils, are boycotting *The Times*, *The Sunday Times*, *The Sun* and the *News of the World*, in spite of a decision by the local government committee of the Labour Party that public libraries should be exempt, because of the dispute between the print unions and the company.

Mr Richard Luce, Minister for the Arts, has written to the 12 authorities asking how they reconcile the boycott with their duty to provide a "comprehensive service" under the Public Libraries and Museums Act, 1964.

A Cabinet Office spokesman said yesterday that only two councils had replied, and Mr Luce would write to News International when he had received all the replies, before deciding on any action.

Solo flyer is shot at

Miss Eve Jackson, the British solo flyer, has narrowly escaped a volley of shots fired at her microlight aircraft as she crossed the Yugoslav border into Greece.

"It appears she was shot at from the ground while crossing the border at about 3,500 feet," Mr John Harward, her manager, said yesterday.

Miss Jackson, aged 28, from Oxfordshire, who left England five weeks ago on the world's first London to Sydney microlight flight, climbed 1,000 feet to avoid the shots.

Yesterday she was preparing to leave Istanbul for Ankara.

Search for more circuit court judges fails to meet Hailsham target

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Lord Chancellor's trawl of the legal profession to increase the number of circuit judges is still short of its target, two years after he announced the move to ease the heavy workload of crown courts and reduce delays.

Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone told the Commons Home Affairs Select Committee in April 1984 that he wanted to increase the number of circuit judges, which totalled 349, by 10 per cent.

But so far only 7 per cent have been recruited, bringing the total to 373.

Lord Hailsham is concerned that the pool of candidates is not as big as he would like, with a shortage of those of the right age and experience.

However, the rise in the number of barristers and solicitors is beginning to be felt now, and recruitment to the circuit bench is expected to increase steadily so that the target should be reached within this financial year.

Last week Mr Peter Scott, QC, vice-chairman of the Bar, expressed concern also about appointments to the circuit bench. The attractions of the job were now far less than they used to be, he said.

The job had not the "social cachet" it used to have; it could mean a significant financial drop for QCs; and for those judges sent out on circuit it could mean their family life was disrupted.

A circuit judge earns £40,000, which will be increased to £41,500 from next month.

High Court and Court of Appeal judges (for whom, along with the lower judicial ranks of recorders and registrars, there is no recruitment problem) earn £60,000 and £66,000 respectively. Those salaries will rise in July to £62,100 and £68,400.

Mr Scott said that the disincentives to joining the circuit bench made it even more important that the kind of person it wanted to attract was identified as early as possible.

Mr Scott wants to see considered the idea of a judicial appointments board separate from the Lord Chancellor. "Now is a good time to explore alternatives."

American actress aids stroke campaign

By Thomson Prentice Science Correspondent

The courageous recovery from a stroke by actress Patricia Neal was offered as an incentive yesterday in a £2 million campaign to help other sufferers.

In Britain, about 125,000 people a year are affected by stroke, of whom 70,000 die. The illness is the commonest of all fatal diseases after heart disease and cancer.

Miss Neal, who suffered a stroke at the height of her Hollywood career 21 years ago, was badly disabled and unable to speak, but recovered gradually with the help of British doctors and therapists.

Yesterday, she returned to London from the United States to launch the National Stroke Campaign, on behalf of the Chest, Heart and Stroke Association.

"A stroke is like a power failure at home. Everything is there but nothing works," she told campaign organizers. "I was helped back to life and after six months with a volunteer team, I was 80 per cent recovered."

Miss Neal was invited to launch the campaign by Miss Valerie Eaton Griffith, who *did most to help her recovery.* Miss Griffith founded the association's Volunteer Stroke Scheme and is deputy organizer of the campaign.

Miss Neal with Sir Eric Cheadle, chairman of the stroke campaign, yesterday (Photograph: Peter Trievnor).

Habgood in child poverty appeal

The Child Poverty Action Group (CPAG) launched a £300,000 appeal yesterday for new premises in London.

Dr John Habgood, the Archbishop of York who is patron of the group's twenty-first anniversary appeal committee, said that the number of families dependent on welfare benefits and living on or below the poverty line was increasing throughout Britain.

"Yet, at a time when expertise and experience have never been so crucial, the CPAG is faced with the need to move from its premises with a peppercorn rent to buy or rent offices on the local market," he said.

A group spokesman said that up to £450,000 had been allocated for projects in the coming year, but £300,000 was needed to replace the premises it has rented since 1965.

The latest government statistics showed that nearly one million families with children were living on or below the supplementary benefit level in 1981 and the number of children living in poverty had nearly doubled between 1978 and 1981 to 500,000.

"We are still waiting for the Government to release recent *figures but we believe the* number of families living on the poverty line has increased dramatically since 1981," the spokesman said.

Union call for law to reinstate workers

Employers "make a mockery" of industrial tribunal hearings when they ignore rulings to reinstate dismissed workers, a union congress was told yesterday.

The Government was urged to introduce legislation forcing such employers to give workers their jobs back.

Delegates of the General, Municipal, Boilermakers' and Allied Trades Union approved the motion at Scarborough.

Mr Mike Kirby, of the Lancashire region's Northwich branch, who proposed it, said that the present law was unfair and unjust, allowing employers to avoid taking back workers who successfully challenged dismissal and to take a chance on large amounts of compensation being awarded against them.

The congress also agreed to a motion for new health and safety-at-work legislation.

Mr Andy Worth, from Goole, Humberside, who put the motion, claimed that more than 20,000 deaths a year in Britain could be identified as caused by work, although only a few could be put down to specific physical acts.

He added that serious deficiencies *in the present* legislation included failure to protect workers' health from "damaging and de-humanizing" conditions.

It had also failed to provide all workers with a basic standard of occupational health service funded by the employer, or to prevent a rise in the number of workers injured or killed since 1980.

Approval was given to a motion calling on the union's senior officers to work with the Trades Union Congress to defeat proposals by the Health and Safety Executive which would "effectively deprive" workers of the executive's services.

SDP lawyers call for workers' positive rights

By Our Legal Affairs Correspondent

Legislation to create a legal framework of positive rights for workers, including the right to strike, was called for by the Social Democratic Lawyers' Association in a discussion paper published yesterday. The rights should include: the right to form unions and associations; to belong, or not, to such organizations; and to take action collectively in furtherance of a trade dispute. But if the proposed rights were abused, those concerned should be liable to pay damages, the paper said.

The paper called for laws that would aim to move away from "conflict-based industrial relations" and to develop a "new spirit of co-operation."

A legal framework of positive rights would "replace the negatively framed legal immunities system" which not only put workers on the defensive but also "seems to change every time a significant case reaches the House of Lords".

Employers should be able to take "proportionate reciprocal action", such as lockouts, and would be free to choose whether to recognize unions.

Arbitration would be a compulsory stage in the bargaining process in any industrial action.

Prisoner denies he lied about death

A prison escaper, Philip Rutherford, was accused yesterday of telling lies about the death of Mark Hogg, a fellow inmate, to "besmirch, blacken and vilify" the reputation of police and prison officers.

Hogg, aged 33 at the time of his death, was serving 12 years and nine months for armed robbery, and died in hospital eight days after he and Rutherford, aged 26, were recaptured after escaping from a prison coach transferring them from Exeter jail to Wandsworth, south London, on September 27 last year.

Rutherford, serving eight years for burglary, told the Exeter inquest that Hogg was punched and kicked by seven or eight policemen at Yeovil police station, Somerset, and again by three prison officers on his return to Exeter.

Mr Neil Butterfield, QC, representing the Prison Officers' Association, accused Rutherford of inventing the allegations.

"You hated them, didn't you?" Mr Butterfield asked.

"Not so much as to put myself to all this trouble," Rutherford said.

"They wanted to do a deal with me and give me remission if I kept my head down. I am trying to get justice for the geezer. I am being tortured in prison as well for it."

Mr Butterfield accused Rutherford of "gross hypocrisy" and suggested: "You saw the tragic death of Mark Hogg as your golden opportunity to revenge yourself on the police officers you detested."

Rutherford said: "You can suggest all you want, but it is all lies."

Rutherford, a category A prisoner, giving evidence handcuffed between two prison officers, told Mr Richard van Oppen, the coroner, that he was facing charges of malicious wounding and actual bodily harm as a result of the ill-fated escape at South Petherton, Somerset.

Hogg died in Exeter's Royal Devon and Exeter Hospital on October 5, the day after being transferred from Exeter jail's hospital wing.

The inquest has already heard that Hogg complained to hospital staff only hours before his death that he had been kicked by police at Yeovil.

Earlier yesterday, Mr Malcolm Cotterill, representing Avon and Somerset Police, accused Rutherford of fabricating the story of the police assault.

Rutherford denied that, saying he had been offered a deal by the prison authorities to keep quiet about the allegations against police and prison officers.

"I am worried about my treatment in prison. But I will not withdraw any statement. He (Hogg) was killed by prison officers and police officers."

The inquest was adjourned *until today.*

Appeal on libel cost rule fails

A former chief press officer to the Prime Minister who was *said to be "massively out of* pocket" in spite of winning a 27-day libel action over articles in *The Sunday Times* and *Time Out* magazine failed yesterday in an appeal against the refusal of the trial judge to award him all his legal costs.

Mr Derek Howe, of Dolphin Square, Pimlico, southwest London, now a political consultant to the Conservative Party, won £2,500 against *The Sunday Times*, and £500 against *Time Out*.

But Mr Justice Mann ruled that, in respect of his action against *Time Out*, he should not be awarded costs incurred after January 21.

On that date, *Time Out* had paid £501 into court in offer of settlement. The libel jury awarded Mr Howe only £500 against the magazine, and so he did not qualify, under High Court Rules, for costs of that action incurred from the date of the payment-in.

In the Court of Appeal yesterday, Sir John Donaldson, Master of the Rolls, said that there were no possible grounds for the court to interfere with the trial judge's refusal to award Mr Howe all his costs. Lord Justice Mustill and Lord Justice Stocker agreed.

Driver hurt in crossing crash

A car driver is seriously ill with burns after his vehicle was struck by a train at an unmanned level crossing near Ammanford, Dyfed, and burst into flames.

Mr Stephen Evans, of High Street, Ammanford, was taken to the specialist burns unit at Chepstow after the collision on Monday.

Visitors flock to Stonehenge

Stonehenge was again the most popular English Heritage attraction last year.

It attracted 655,700 visitors, with Dover Castle second with just under 200,000 visitors.

Mayoral first

The first Democratic Unionist Party councillor to hold the office has been elected Lord Mayor of Belfast. Mr Sammy Wilson, a party press officer, said two cancers to be removed from the city were Sinn Fein councillors and the Anglo-Irish Agreement.

Home viewing of video films breaks record

By Bill Johnstone Technology Correspondent

Britain's video film hire shops spent nearly £25 million on films in the first three months of this year to satisfy unprecedented demand for home video viewing.

Video film suppliers experienced their best-yet quarter. If the trend continues, sales will be more than three times last year's total of £32 million.

A spokesman for the British Videogram Association, which represents most video film suppliers, said yesterday that the availability of leading new films had been crucial.

"Revenues from video sales are now playing an increasingly important role in financing new productions, outstripping cinema box office and television and cable rights sales," he said.

Reprieve for squatters at Libya bureau

Squatters faced with eviction from a life of luxury in the abandoned Libyan People's Bureau in Kensington won a reprieve in the High Court yesterday.

Mr Justice Alliott granted an adjournment to The People's Bureau of the Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, which is seeking to have more than 30 squatters moved from the £4 million building in Prince's Gate.

The bureau sought an adjournment to consider evidence from the squatters, who have been there since last April. Mr Nick Madge, solicitor for the squatters, said outside the court that the People's Bureau had no title to the property according to the lease. If it wanted the squatters out then it was up to the Libyan government to apply.

Soil erosion: 3

Long-term view of land use

In his third and final article on the work of the Soil Survey of England and Wales, John Young, Agriculture Correspondent, looks at how it could be utilized for environmental, planning and conservation purposes and in reaching decisions on future land use.

In recent months the Countryside Commission has taken the lead in demanding a new strategy for the future management of Britain's countryside.

Such a strategy should "be about farming and forestry, landscape and wildlife conservation, jobs and recreation, about the whole rural fabric," Sir Derek Barber, the commission's chairman, says.

Dr Peter Bullock, the survey's head of research services, believes that such a strategy can succeed only if it is based on finding the most rational and efficient use for each area of land, which in return requires a detailed knowledge of the soil structure.

It is no longer enough to rely on the crude classification of farmland into one of five grades, a system originally intended to protect the best land from urban development, he says.

There is a need to discover differences within single pockets of land; identify land that is unsuitable for particular uses; predict the effects of drainage and the consequences for neighbouring land of a lowering of the water table; select suitable soil materials for the reclamation of mining and industrial sites; discover what types of vegetation are most likely to develop on land that is no longer cultivated; and to identify land susceptible to erosion by water or wind.

The survey has already carried out work on assessing land for various kinds of agriculture, for forestry and for recreational use. It is at present mapping soils on a number of sites of special scientific interest (SSSI) and has made a comprehensive study of lowland peats, their acidity and rates of wastage.

"Soil is, with climate, a vital environmental factor affecting land use," a survey document points out.

"It is not chance that upland woods survive on steeper or more rugged slopes with shallow acid soils. Patterns in natural vegetation relate intimately to soil changes."

Survey scientists have recently begun to develop a central computerized soil information system which will be available to farmers.

"Farmers, in particular, need to be educated about soil suitability," Dr Bullock says. "Never before has there been so much pressure on the land."

One of his prime objectives is to identify areas of farmland which can survive a squeeze on profit margins and those which are likely to be vulnerable to falling returns.

"It has to be acknowledged that there are some soils which are not very good for winter-sown crops, hopeless when it comes to spring sowing and not much good for grassland either. So forestry may be the best bet."

In broader terms he feels there is a need for a complete agro-economic assessment on which all land-use decisions can be evaluated.

"At present Whitehall does not have this sort of information," he says.

The soil which sustains life on Earth is fascinating in its complexity but has not been given the attention it deserves, he says. In contrast, the Americans learnt a great deal from the dustbowl disaster in the 1930s, and advice on soil conservation is now freely available from the United States Department of Agriculture.

"In Britain the term conservation is applied to flora, fauna, wildlife, trees and the appearance of the landscape, but seldom to the soil itself which in many ways is the most important factor of all."

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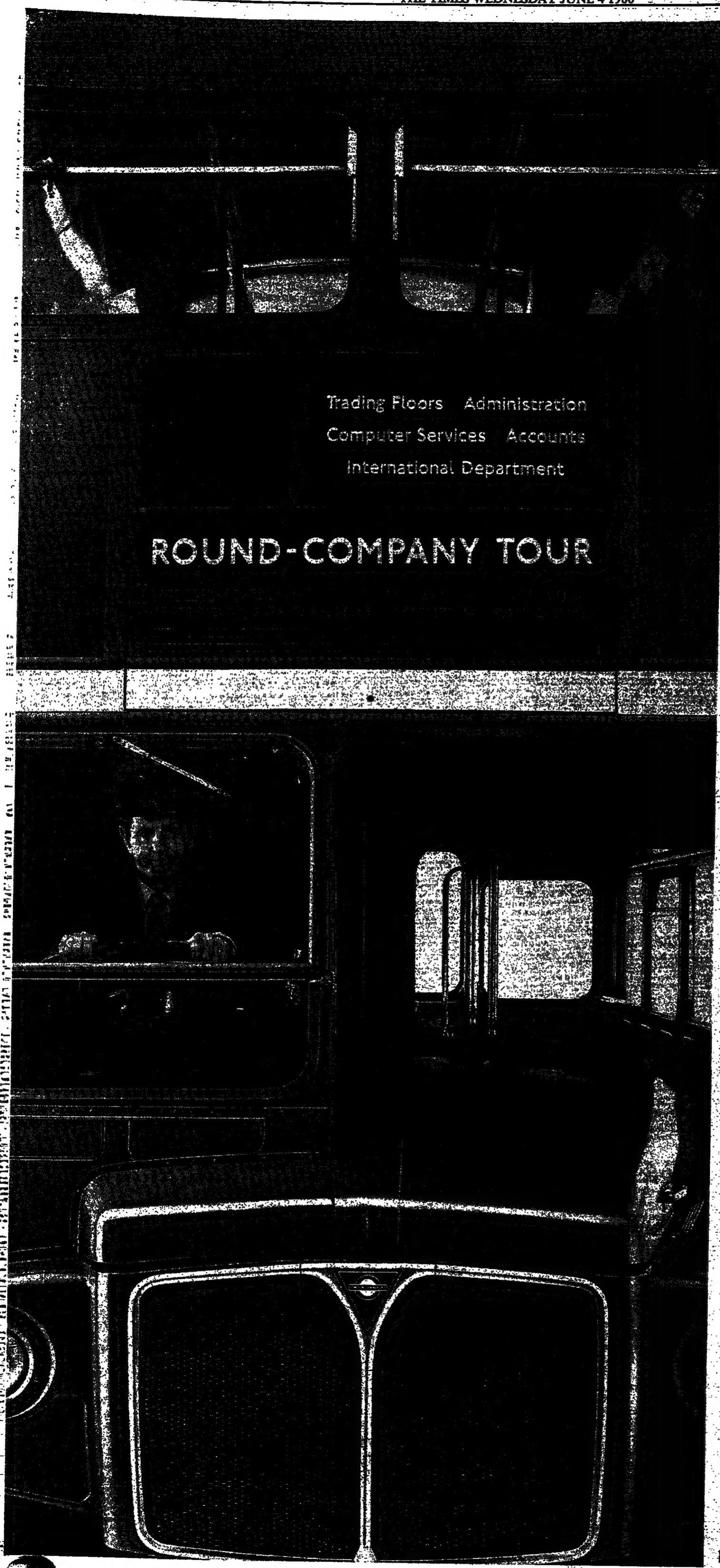

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It makes sense to go round the bend.

New battlefields opened as Beirut engulfed in gunfire

From Robert Fisk
Beirut

Much of West Beirut was engulfed in heavy street-fighting yesterday evening as the militias of Lebanon's Sunni Muslim minority struck at the Shia Muslims' Amal movement, which has ruled much of the southern half of the Lebanese capital for more than two years.

Increasingly bitter at their own minority status — and enraged at their treatment at Amal's hands — the gunmen of the Sunni Morabitoun effectively opened up a series of new battlefields, stretching from the sea at Ouzai to the front line opposite the Christian Phalange near the Classical Museum.

The streets of west Beirut were deserted except for gunmen, the shops and schools closed, a fog of brown smoke drifting across the city from the Palestinian refugee camps where the conflict between Palestinian guerrillas and Shia militiamen was the original cause of the present violence.

Every few seconds tremendous explosions reverberated from the Sabra and Chatila camps, where Palestinians were broadening their perimeter under severe shellfire.

Amal have been blaming the fighting on Mr Yassir Arafat's guerrillas inside the camps, whose forces have not only held out for two weeks but have now taken control of the upper half of the airport highway.

Yesterday motorists from the airport were forced to drive on a difficult excursion road behind earth embankments into the city to avoid sniper fire.

Ever capable of finding a conspiracy behind every setback, Amal has itself claimed President Gemayel of Lebanon as well as Mr Arafat as responsible for the bloodshed.

The President, a Christian Maronite whose own forces include the Phalange, is supposed — according to this extraordinary theory — to have concerted plans for the overthrow of Amal in conjunction with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Graphic evidence of Amal's views appeared in yesterday's morning edition of *al-Haqiqa*, which favours the Shia militia. It carried a grotesque cartoon depicting both Mr Arafat and President Gemayel sitting in a bath of blood and sipping champagne. The tub was labelled "war of the camps".

If such crude drawings depict the savagery of the conflict in political terms, few could doubt the hostility now evident in the streets. While the Druze — who are showing increasing amity towards the Palestinians — are still keeping out of the street battles, the Morabitoun are drawing Shia strength away from the camps.

Amal's own hostility has been increased by the murder of two of their military officials — Mr Abed Nimeh Hammoud and Mr Ali Khalil Mehdi — who were kidnapped two days ago and found on Monday dumped on a rubbish tip with bullet wounds in the head.

Mr Nabih Berri, the Shia Muslim leader, and Mr Walid Jumblatt, who controls the Druze forces, have been meeting Brigadier-General Ghazi Kenaan, the head of Syrian military intelligence in Lebanon, though they appear to have come no nearer to agreement on a ceasefire.

Mr Jumblatt claims that Mr Arafat has been sending more guerrillas into Beirut, failing to point out that many Druze suspect that dissident Shia Muslims are allowing Palestinians to land in West Beirut at an illegal port theoretically controlled by Amal.

A Shia Muslim militiaman armed with a Soviet-made rifle jumps over a damaged car during fierce fighting between Shia and Sunni Muslims in the streets of west Beirut yesterday.

Hope for asylum ends strike by Pastora

San José — The imprisoned Contra leader, Señor Edén Pastora, has ended a five-day hunger strike because the Costa Rican Government is expected at any moment to give him political asylum (Martha Honey writes).

Top government officials and aides to Señor Pastora say that a deal has been struck to allow the former anti-Sandinista guerrilla to stay in Costa Rica as long has he engages only in political, not military, activities.

149 held at test site

Las Vegas (Reuter) — Police on scramble motorcycles arrested 149 anti-nuclear demonstrators who walked on to the nuclear test site in Nevada.

The demonstrators were part of a group of 350 nuclear opponents who earlier staged a rally outside the test site.

No clothes

Peking (AP) — Canton police have arrested nine people on charges of swindling 96 companies which paid to attend a clothing exhibition that turned out to be nearly empty.

Pink protest

Stockholm — Swedish fish farmers are protesting at proposed regulations which would ban colour additives. They say they will lose business if forced to sell white, rather than pink, salmon.

Bitter fruit

Turin (Reuter) — Signor Emilio Mazza shot dead a market gardener and seriously wounded his wife when he was caught stealing a handful of strawberries for his 16 children.

Pop goodwill

Moscow (Reuter) — Michael Jackson, the American pop star, has been invited to take part in the opening ceremony of the inaugural Goodwill Games in Moscow.

Upside-down

Aalborg, Denmark (Reuter) — Twenty four people were rescued by firemen after having hung upside down for 20 minutes when their roller-coaster car stopped in the wrong place. They were given their money back.

No rest for Solidarity fugitives

From Roger Boyes
Warsaw

The Polish Government declared yesterday that the police would continue their hunt for Solidarity fugitives even though the arrest of Mr Zbigniew Bujak, its underground organizer, had effectively smashed its top echelons.

"There will be no holiday for the underground," Mr Jerzy Urban, the Government spokesman, said.

He hinted that the American Embassy had known the hiding place of Mr Bujak. Agents searching the Warsaw flat on Saturday morning found an invitation to a cocktail party from an American diplomat.

Although the invitation was addressed to the owner rather than to Mr Bujak, the letter had been delivered by an Embassy messenger and, presumably, the Solidarity leader answered the door.

Mr Urban said the flat had been under surveillance for some time after a tip-off from neighbours.

He said that documents found there revealed not only the internal workings of the underground but also the scope of its financial support from the West.

Mr Bujak will be charged with preparing to overthrow the system with force. He faces a possible 10-year jail term if found guilty.

Meanwhile, a declaration by what remains of the underground leadership — signed by Mr Jan Andrzej Gorny and Mr Marek Muszynski — makes clear that Solidarity will try to continue its activities.

The statement made available to Western reporters said: "Zbigniew Bujak has joined the list of political prisoners. We will fight for his liberty".

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Political fall-out from Chernobyl spreads across Europe

Kohl takes action to pacify voters

From Frank Johnson, Bonn

Chancellor Helmut Kohl announced the creation of a new Ministry of the Environment yesterday, to be headed by a rising figure in his Christian Democratic Party (CDU), Herr Walter Wallmann, aged 53, the Mayor of Frankfurt.

For some time, the environment has been at least as big a political issue here as is unemployment. But, unlike unemployment, it seems to have been costing the Government support.

Voters have been telling pollsters that they are not satisified with the Government's sense of urgency in such matters as the allegedly dying forests.

Herr Kohl had made it known that a Ministry of the Environment would be created after the next general election in January, if he won.

Ministerial jobs here are much influenced by trading between the parties which make up what are usually coalition governments. Cabinet reshuffles, and changes, are rare.

But the Government lost support in the opinion polls — and the CDU is in danger losing control of Lower Saxony in a *Land* election on June 15 — because of allegations of complacency and confusion in the biggest environmental issue of all so far.

This was the controversy over the alleged affect on West Germany of radioactivity from Chernobyl. Herr Kohl therefore needed to appear to be taking action.

The creation of a new ministry means taking powers away from the Ministry of the Interior, presided over by the increasingly vulnerable Herr Friedrich Zimmermann.

Over the past year he has been accused of not fighting hard enough in Brussels for new EEC regulations requiring cars and lorries to be fitted with exhausts which do not pollute the environment; of allowing too many West Germans in sensitive jobs to defect to East Germany; and of not preventing confusion arising from the contradictory advice about what was safe to eat and drink after Chernobyl from the federal Government in Bonn and some of the *Land* governments.

In comparison with some of the Social Democratic-controlled *Länder*, Herr Zimmermann sounded complacent.

It was assumed, however, that Herr Zimmermann was politically safe from punishment because he is a member of Herr Franz Josef Strauss's Christian Social Union (CSU), which must have a certain number of Cabinet jobs.

Site visit may calm UK fears

From Michael Binyon
Washington

Mr William Waldegrave, Minister of State for the Environment, is considering sending community leaders from the four sites in Britain being considered for a radioactive waste dump to look at a model site in South Carolina, where good management and design had prevented any local anxieties.

He said after visiting the installation at Barnwell that he recognized increased public fears as a result of Chernobyl, and it would take a long time to rebuild confidence in nuclear power. This might need a full review of safety standards and some changes.

During his four-day visit here, Mr Waldegrave also signed an agreement on environmental co-operation with the US, providing for the exchange of information on car exhaust, the seepage of radon gas — now causing worry in the US — and acid rain.

● STOCKHOLM: Anger mounted in Sweden yesterday over the high fallout the country suffered from the Chernobyl disaster and the Government's decision that there are no grounds for claiming compensation from the Soviet Union (Christopher Mosey writes).

Disaster deaths rise to 25

From Christopher Walker, Moscow

Senior Soviet scientists said yesterday that the death toll from the Chernobyl disaster had now risen to 25, with a further 30 people in a critical state, suffering from radiation poisoning.

Mr Leonid Ilyin, head of a Moscow hospital treating many of the most serious cases, said that of the 299 people reported to be suffering from acute radiation doses, 89 had later been released.

The new death toll of 25 was given by Mr Yevgeny Chazov, a deputy Minister of Health, who said that 23 had died from radiation as well as the two killed in the initial explosion on April 26. Last week Dr Robert Gale, the US bone marrow specialist, put the total number killed at 23.

As the struggle to neutralize the crippled Chernobyl reactor continued, the Soviet authorities disclosed that a number of the soldiers involved in the hazardous rescue operation were now being treated for radiation at a military hospital in Kiev, the Ukrainian capital.

A report in yesterday's edition of *Krasnaya Zvezda* (Red Star), the armed forces newspaper, did not specify how many soldiers were being treated, but said none was in a serious condition.

Many aspects of the costly rescue operation are now known to be under military control, with armoured cars being used to drive emergency workers at high speed to and from the most dangerous areas.

The official Communist Party paper, *Pravda*, yesterday criticized Soviet officials in Pripyat, the evacuated town closest to the stricken plant, for having failed to provide adequate accommodation for those still having to work at the plant. It said that most had been moved to temporary shelter on pleasure cruisers moored on the Pripyat River near by.

Earlier this week, the paper admitted for the first time that it was receiving letters from Soviet readers worried about the future of nuclear energy in the wake of the Chernobyl disaster.

Last month scores of KGB men in the centre of Moscow stopped a demonstration by Soviet citizens who planned a petition against nuclear power to send to Mr Gorbachov, the Soviet leader. All the organizers were arrested or prevented from leaving their homes.

Pravda yesterday published a poem by Andrei Voznesenky, the popular Soviet poet, called "Thoughts of Chernobyl".

Protests rapped

Protests at the construction of a nuclear power station in Czechoslovakia just a few miles from the Austrian frontier were criticized yesterday by Chancellor Fred Sinowatz after talks with the Czechoslovak Foreign Minister, Mr Bohuslav Chňoupek (Richard Bassett writes from Vienna). Austrian students have protested both in Prague and in Vienna against the plant.

EEC splits over nuclear energy

From Richard Owen, Luxembourg

Chernobyl cast a shadow over the future of nuclear energy in Western Europe yesterday, with disagreement among EEC energy ministers over whether nuclear energy should play "an important and increasing role" in EEC energy policy.

Denmark said that it could not accept any specific target for future nuclear energy programmes in the EEC, and demanded a reference in the final document to problems arising from the siting of a nuclear power station in Sweden close to Denmark.

Mr Peter Walker, the Energy Minister, said that he had always believed that all forms of energy should be reviewed in the light of world events.

The EEC Commission had proposed before Chernobyl that nuclear power, which at present accounts for just over 30 per cent of EEC electricity consumption, should account for 40 per cent by 1995.

But as energy ministers yesterday sought to formulate new energy guidelines, Denmark, where anti-nuclear feeling is strong, said that it was willing to "note" the Commission objective but not to include it in a Council of Ministers resolution, which has the force of law.

The Danes objected to several references in the proposed guidelines to the growing role of nuclear power in Europe as the share of hydrocarbons in electricity production is reduced.

But West Germany and France said the EEC had to take account of the *de facto* situation, in which this year nuclear power would account for an average 35 per cent of total EEC electricity output.

The energy ministers split into pro- and anti-nuclear lobbies when they met to shape a framework for EEC energy policy over the next ten years. Britain, West Germany and France argued that nuclear energy was here to stay and had to be made safe and publicly acceptable.

Denmark, Greece and and the Irish Republic demanded less reliance on nuclear energy.

The Commission is to produce a comprehensive analysis of the implications of Chernobyl next week for discussion by EEC foreign ministers later this month.

Brazil beef deal flouts undertaking

From Our Correspondent
Brussels

The ECC is export 100,000 tonnes of beef to Brazil, flouting a political commitment made by EEC Commissioner Claude Cheysson not to export to South America.

The political go-ahead for the deal is due to be given by the European Commission soon. But the sale has aroused fear that the beef will be exported back to Britain as stew or corned beef.

The EEC is considering an arrangement under which it would provide a subsidy to cut the selling price of beef in store by more than $1,000 (£666) a tonne so that exporters could buy it cheap.

The Community and Brazil argue that a commitment not to sell to South America only applies if South American suppliers can provide beef. They claim Argentina and Uruguay were consulted but did not have the stocks available.

Torture charge admiral dies in detention

Buenos Aires (AP) — Retired Vice Admiral Ruben Chamorro, accused of commanding a torture and execution centre during the 1970s war against left-wing subversion, has died of a heart attack aged 61, military sources said.

Admiral Chamorro, the former commander of the naval mechanics school in Buenos Aires, had been under arrest since February 1984 and was among at least 100 armed forces and police officers accused by military and civilian courts of committing human rights violations during the former military dictatorship.

He was considered by human rights groups to be among the most notorious participants in the anti-left repression.

● Minister out: President Alfonsin has accepted the resignation of his Defence Minister, Señor Germán López, and appointed Señor Horacio Jaunarena to replace him. No reason for the change was given.

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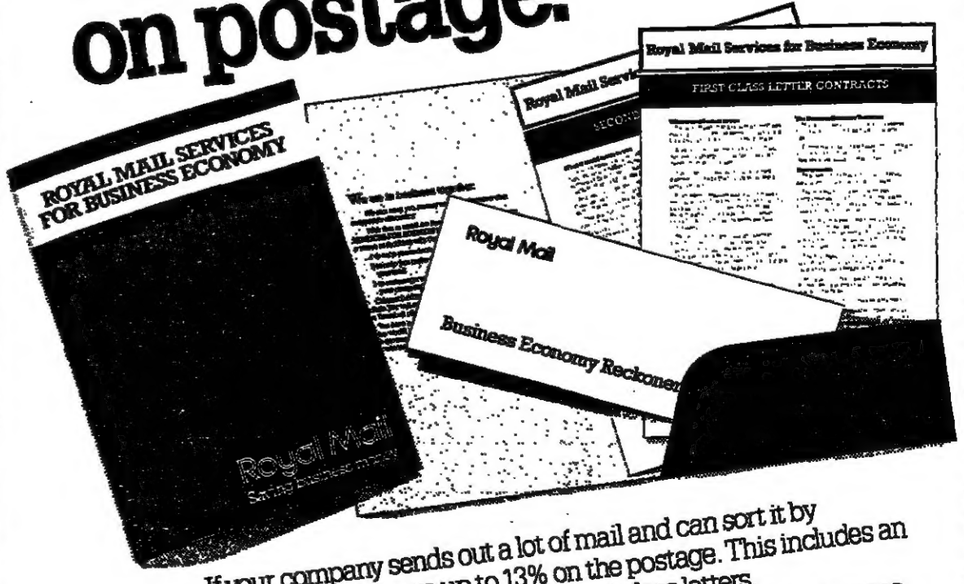

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Political wing of ETA legalized by court amid bomb campaign

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

In the midst of ETA's bombing campaign to disrupt tourism at Spanish resorts, the Supreme Court has handed down a judgment legalizing the so-called "people's unity" coalition, the political wing of the Basque armed separatist organization.

The timing of the court's decision clearly had nothing to do with the series of bombings, nor are ETA's assistants on the Costa del Sol and elsewhere considered at all likely to stop now.

The decision is a blow for the Socialist Government, and particularly for the Interior Ministry, which fought actions through five lower courts before reaching the Supreme Court, with the aim of having the extreme left-wing nationalist Herri Batasuna coalition banned.

The verdict may be a fillip for the coalition among Basque voters at the general election in 19 days' time.

British tourists holidaying in southern Spain in spite of the ETA bombs were favourably compared by a senior Spanish Government official yesterday with United States tourists, who are staying away from Spain and the rest of Europe because of terrorism.

"Unlike the Americans, the British are being magnificent," he said. "Where they have had to leave their hotels to permit the police bomb disposal squad to go to work, they have reacted with goodwill and humour."

Small bombs have gone off, causing no injuries but so far damaging four hotels, since ETA announced nine days ago that it was resuming last summer's campaign to "sabotage the economic interests of the Spanish state".

The latest hotel was the four-star Atalaya Park at Estepona, near Marbella. The bomb, placed at one of the entrances, went off while police, alerted by a caller, were on the premises searching

In three other hotels police defused the bombs before they went off, each time having been alerted by anonymous callers

In one case, in Malaga, ETA called back after the police had failed to locate the bomb and gave its precise position.

The national police and the paramilitary Civil Guard are now patrolling the Costa del Sol

The Socialist Government in 1983 began seeking through the courts to get the "people's unity" coalition banned on the grounds that the party's statutes did not accept the 1978 Spanish constitution or declare expressly that its members were Spaniards.

But the Supreme Court found nothing in the party statutes to deprive citizens of a constitutional right to associate politically.

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Noughts go for the lira's comfort

From Peter Nichols
Rome

The Italian Government decided yesterday to abolish a massive number of noughts from the country's daily life by introducing the "heavy lire", each of which will represent one thousand of the present unit of currency.

Hence a 1,000-lire note in use now will eventually be replaced by a one-lira note or coin, while 1,000 lire under the new disposition will be worth the same as the present million.

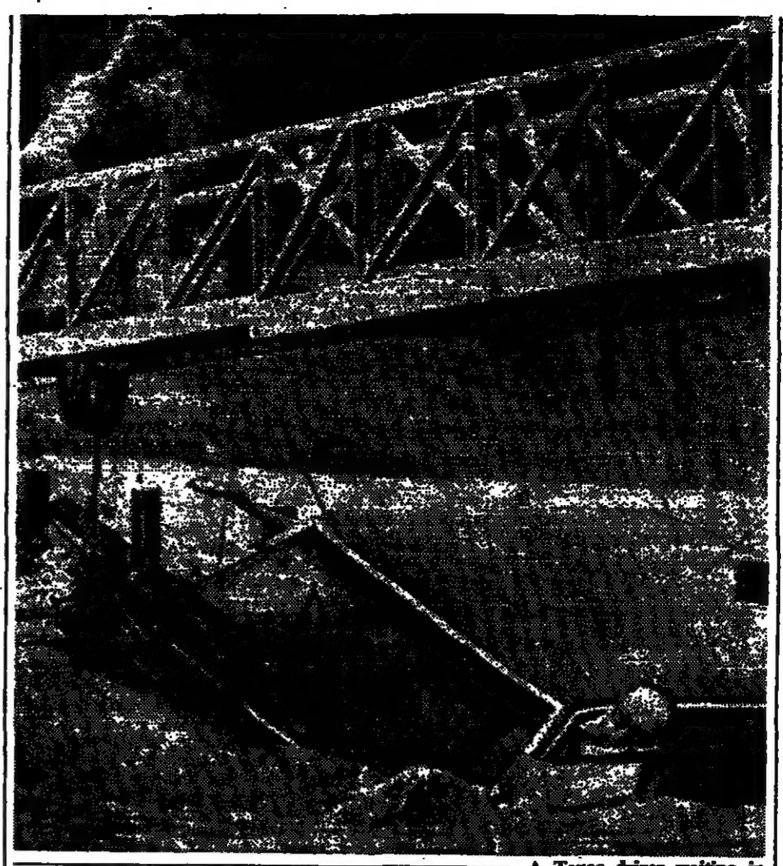
The Bill was finally approved after the failure on May 17 on the Government's part to agree on more than the principle of the change. More talks were needed to complete the arrangements.

The new currency will be introduced by presidential decree and the date has yet to be fixed, though the hope is that the change can begin next year.

For a certain period both types of lire will be in circulation simultaneously.

Assurances were given that the change would in no way alter "economic realities", presumably meaning that the measure would not amount to a hidden devaluation. It will nevertheless have a practical and psychological usefulness.

The Bill has still to be approved by Parliament.



A Texas driver waiting in vain for help as a torrent sweeps along Olmos Creek in San Antonio, after a cloudburst brought flash floods to the city. A policeman is trying to throw a rope to the man, but the rushing waters flipped the car over.

Tanzania switch on credit from IMF

From Charles Harrison
Nairobi

Tanzania is reported to have reached agreement in principle with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) on a £133 million standby credit, which will involve a further substantial devaluation of the Tanzanian shilling and stringent financial controls.

This will end several years of pressure from the IMF and from Western donor countries for reforms of the Tanzanian financial system.

The former President, Mr Julius Nyerere, who stepped down last November and was replaced by Mr Ali Hassan Mwinyi, had refused repeatedly to accept such pressure. But it appears that the Tanzanians now realise that they have no real alternative.

Western diplomats are now optimistic about the prospects for a donors' meeting on Tanzania, to be held in Paris on June 10, with the World Bank and other international agencies represented as well as individual western countries.

West Germany and Scandinavia have been prominent in providing aid to Tanzania in recent years.

Last month the Tanzanian shilling was devalued from 25 to 35 to the £ sterling in what is regarded by bankers as only a partial move towards a more realistic valuation.

Swedish workers postpone strikes

Stockholm — Massive industrial action, which would have cost the country millions of kroner in lost export orders, was postponed at the last minute yesterday (Christopher Mosey writes).

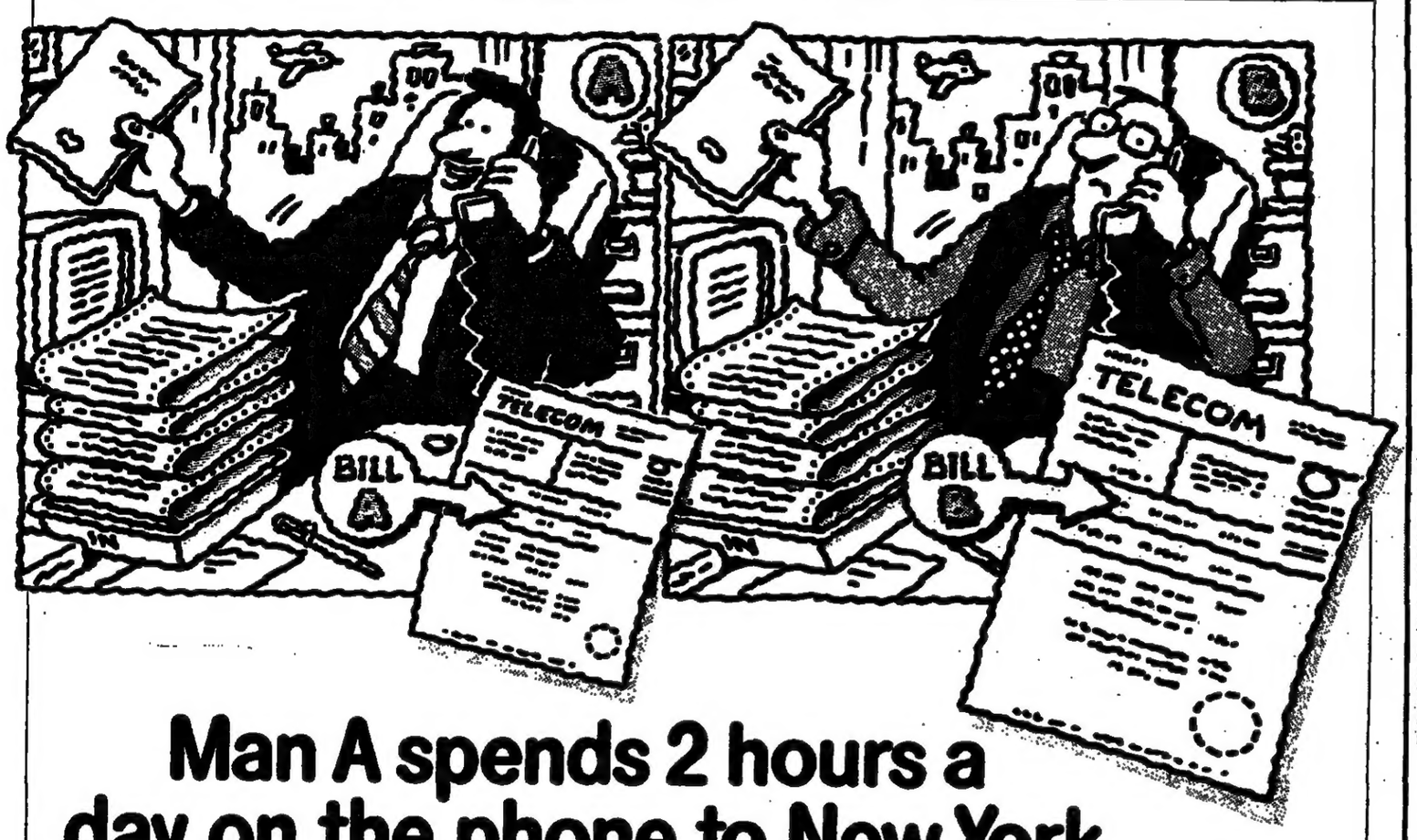
State mediators persuaded Metall, a union representing 500,000 workers in the engineering industry, to postpone until Friday strikes by 17,000 workers in 19 key industries, including the Saab and Volvo car firms.

The employers duly put off until Saturday a lockout of 180,000 workers.

FBI holds England fan

Houston (AP) — Mr Terry Exelby, a football fan from York travelling to the World Cup in Mexico, has been charged by FBI agents

He is being held in Harris County Jail with no bond pending a court hearing, charged with an alleged assault on a flight attendant.



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South Africa in crisis

Pretoria asks EPG to have a last look

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

The South African Government has written to the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group (EPG) urging it to make another visit to South Africa before deciding whether or not to recommend the imposition of sanctions.

But in view of last month's South African raids against Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe it is unlikely that the seven-member group will agree to Pretoria's request.

The publication in South Africa this week of a booklet defending Pretoria's refusal to negotiate with the outlawed African National Congress (ANC) seems certain to confirm the view, held by a majority of the group, that South Africa is not prepared to begin a dialogue with representative black leaders, as the group had demanded.

The letter from Pretoria arrived yesterday at the Commonwealth Secretariat in London, on the eve of the group's meeting to complete a report on its six-month peace mission.

Its contents were being kept private and, because of the secrecy which has surrounded the mission since it was set up at the end of last year, officials refused even to confirm its existence.

But it is understood that the South Africans were careful not to reject any of the proposals the group left with them when it was in South Africa last month. Instead, Pretoria limited itself to pointing out some of the problems the Commonwealth plan would present.

The group is led by Mr Malcolm Fraser, a former Australian Prime Minister, and General Olusegon Obasanjo, a former Nigerian president.

The Commonwealth group has until the end of the month to complete its report.

It will then be considered at a meeting of seven Commonwealth leaders in London at the beginning of August, when Mrs Thatcher is expected to come under renewed pressure to impose economic sanctions, unless there is a radical shift in South Africa's position.

Pretoria 'licence to kill" claim

From Michael Hornsby
Johannesburg

New security measures being debated this week in the South African Parliament would give the police a "government-approved licence to beat up and kill", a member of the official Opposition in the House of Assembly, the white chamber, has declared.

The two measures are the Public Safety Amendment Bill and the Internal Security Amendment Bill.

The Public Safety Amendment Bill would empower the Minister of Law and Order, Mr Louis Le Grange, to proclaim any part of the country an "unrest area" and to take such measures as "appear to him to be necessary or expedient" in that area.

The Internal Security Amendment Bill would give a police officer oflieutenant-colonel rank or above authority to order anyone to be held in preventive detention for up to 180 days.

An MP for the Progressive Federal Party, the official Opposition, said that it amounted to an "official government-approved licence to beat up and kill, a licence to organize vigilante groups, a licence to terrorize entire communities".

● **Meeting off:** The imprisoned leader of the African National Congress (ANC), Mr Nelson Mandela, has told Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, head of the Zulu-dominated Inkatha movement, that they should defer a meeting until after his release from prison. The message was conveyed by Mr Mandela's lawyer.

Chalker in Harare lion's den

From Jan Raath
Harare

Mrs Lynda Chalker, the Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, walked into the lion's den of anti-South African opposition yesterday to defend Britain's reluctance to impose sanctions against Pretoria.

But if she stirred displeasure by her frank statement at a lunch, her reference to South Africans as "boers" at least falls in with local parlance. An Afrikaans word meaning farmer, "boer" is used universally in southern Africa as insulting slang for Afrikaners.

Mrs Chalker arrived here yesterday morning for a four-day familiarization trip in southern Africa. She travels to Zaire on Friday.

The lunch began with a politely-phrased attack on Britain by the host, Mr Didymus Mutasa, Speaker of the Zimbabwe House of Assembly. He criticized Britain's role in the American attack on Libya and its veto of the recent United Nations resolution calling for sanctions against South Africa.

Mrs Chalker said that "state-organized terrorism on an indiscriminate scale" by Libya was "of a totally different and unique kind" from the South African raids on Zimbabwe, Zambia and Botswana on May 19.

The American bombing of Libya did not mean that President Botha was "the right-hand friend and ally" of Britain, as Mr Mutasa had suggested, she said. "We have told Botha plainly that his raids were indefensible."

Zambia white accused

Lusaka (AP) — Mr Peter Murray, a white Zambian farmer detained on May 9, allegedly fed South Africa information about strategic installations and buildings of the African National Congress, the *Times of Zambia* reported yesterday.

On May 19 South African forces raided alleged ANC targets in Botswana, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

●**HARARE:** A white railway employee in Zimbabwe, Machiel Marais, has been jailed for two months for disparaging remarks after the raid (Jan Raath writes).

Mr Fidelis Masunda, the magistrate, said that his remarks "could be said to border on treason". He allowed £150 bail pending an appeal.

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Opponents of Chilean regime call for month of civil disobedience

From Lake Sagaris, Santiago

The National Assembly of Civil Society, composed of a several organizations opposed to military rule in Chile, has called for a month of peaceful civil disobedience to end in a two-day general strike in early July if the military regime continues to ignore its demands for immediate political and economic change.

Its president, Dr Juan Gonzalez, called the threat an extremely serious matter, saying that member organizations represented an estimated 3.5 million to 4 million Chileans.

All of Chile's main professional associations, academics and students, teachers, lorry owners, storekeepers and the two multiple union confederations belong to the assembly, which was formed in a semi-clandestine meeting at the end of April.

It then gave the military Government a month to respond to its demands for a return to democratic government, with full respect for human rights, and for economic policies which would deal with the problems of unemployment and indebtedness that plague Chileans.

"Instead of proposing a solution for the real problems of the majority, the Government has imposed a set of repressive, intimidating techniques which has especially affected poor people," Dr Gonzalez said at a press conference this week.

He said that the growing use of troops to suppress peaceful demonstrations was a sympton of the Government's warlike attitude to politics and could not go on.

The National Assembly of Civil Society's national council, which comprises the presidents of member organizations, has asked Chileans to boycott certain products which, they say, finance misinformation in television reports.

Chilean television is under tightening control by the military Government, and most coverage focuses on official Government statements.

The Assembly also called for home owners to suspend payment of taxes and mortgages.

It announced that throughout June member organizations will hold protests and other activities around their specific problems.

University students are planning an indefinite national strike to back their demands for an end to military rule on campus and off, to begin on June 16.

Rebels welcome Duarte talks offer

From John Carlin
Mexico City

Salvadorean rebel leaders have welcomed President Duarte's latest, and surprising, offer of peace talks, but say they suspect his motives.

Reacting to a proposal made in a speech on Sunday, rebel leaders outside El Salvador said they considered his new gesture to try to end the six-year civil war as positive.

"But we wonder whether this a Duarte propaganda ploy to score points with the people at a critical moment for his government," one of the political leaders of the Democratic Revolutionary Front (FDR) said in a telephone interview.

The Salvadorean President made clear on Sunday that any new dialogue would essentially be a discussion of the guerrillas' willingness to lay down their arms.

Mrs Barbara Piasecka Johnson, the third wife of the Johnson & Johnson heir, J Seward Johnson, looking jubilant at the end of the prolonged New York court battle over her late husband's multimillion-dollar legacy.

The Johnson & Johnson family feud over father's will was settled out of court with the six multimillionaire children receiving more millions and the widoe, a former chambermaid, getting more than $300 million. The lawyers emerged with $10 million in fees. The battle over the $500 million fortune of the son of the founder of the pharmaceutical company went on for 16 weeks in a Manhattan court.

The key question in the case was whether Mr Johnson was of sound mind when he signed his last will shortly before he died in 1983, aged 87, leaving the bulk of his estate to Barbara, now aged 49, to whom he was married for 12 years. Both sides claim victory.

Punjab Speaker elected

Assembly success for Akali Dal

From Michael Hamlyn, Delhi

The embattled Chief Minister of Punjab, Mr Surjit Singh Barnala, was able to congratulate himself yesterday on winning at least the first victory of what his extremist opponents have called "genocide week", marking the second anniversary of the army seizure of the Golden Temple in Amritsar.

His Akali Dal party, reduced to a minority in the state legislative Assembly by defections over his own ordering of police into the temple a month ago, managed to elect its own men as Speaker and Deputy with the assistance of the Congress (I) Party and all other parties in the House, with the lone exception of the Janata Party member.

Mr Amarinder Singh, the erstwhile Maharajah of Patiala, one of the three prominent defectors expelled from the party, has been elected leader of the dissident faction, which he said was properly entitled to be called the Akali Dal. Mr Barnala's group should really be called the Akali Dal (Congress), he said.

There is now likely to be an extensive legal and constitutional battle over whether the dissidents can be expelled from the House under the terms of the anti-defection law passed by Mr Rajiv Gandhi last year.

There were, however, two votes of some significance for Mr Barnala when the names of the new Speaker and his Deputy were put forward.

One was that the previous Speaker, who resigned because of his opposition to police action in the Golden Temple, voted for Mr Barnala's nominee rather than for the Amrinder Singh group's candidate.

The other is that one of the original 27 defectors absented herself from the House altogether. Mrs Jagdish Kaur is reported to have stayed away because she has been won over to the ruling group's side.

Mr Barnala is also presenting as a victory for his government the fact that the central Government has announced that Chandigarh – joint capital of Punjab and the neighbouring Hindu state of Haryana – will be handed exclusively to him on June 21.

He is also boasting that the two districts of Abohar and Fazilka, rich in rice and cotton, will not be handed over in return, which had been the plan under Mrs Gandhi.

Exactly what will be handed over still has to be settled before a one-man commission of inquiry run by a retired Supreme Court judge, and it seems likely that there may be further disagreements between the two states.

But the Chief Minister of Haryana, Mr Bhajan Lal, has been making more gentle noises of late about the possibility of losing his capital and having to build another.

There are, of course, very many desirable building and supply contracts available in connection with such a grand rebuilding programme, and no chief minister could easily turn away from the power and patronage they will bring.

However, his opposition, mainly in the Lok Dal and Bharatiya Janata Party, plans to remind him of neglect of the state's interests by calling a general strike for June 21, the day of the handover.

The extremists, meanwhile, have not allowed the rate of assassination and fear to diminish. A BJP leader was among five people killed in recent hours. In response, state police have increased the number of preventive arrests to more than 300.

Economist to lead Socialists

From Martha de la Cal
Lisbon

The new leader of Portugal's Socialist Party will be Dr Vitor Constancio, aged 42, a technocrat economist who has for the past year been Governor of the Bank of Portugal.

He was Minister of Finance in the Socialist Government of Dr Mario Soares in 1978, and was responsible for implementing the austerity programme which saved the country from a serious economic crisis.

Dr Constancio was also president of the commission which negotiated Portugal's entry into the EEC and was a Socialist delegate in Parliament.

His leadership of the Socialists was assured on Monday night, when his opponent, Dr Jaime Gama, conceded defeat. Of 1,340 delegates to the Socialist National Conference at the end of June to elect a national secretary, Dr Constancio has already received the full support of 1,002 delegates, and Dr Gama only 229.

Dr Gama says he will "form a constructive opposition within the party".

Dr Constancio will succeed Dr Soares, who stepped down from the party leadership after being elected President of Portugal in January.

President Soares took no part in the contest between the two, although Dr Gama has always been regarded as his protege and most likely to succeed him.

Dr Constancio represents the left wing of the party. Most of the Socialist labour union leaders, the presidents of municipal governments and the heads of the nationalized banks support him.

He led a movement in 1979 within the Socialist Party against the wishes of Dr Soares to support the left-wing President Ramalho Eanes in the second bid for the presidency.

Tit-for-tat American tariff war

From John Best
Ottawa

Canada has hit back at the United States for a tariff it placed on Canadian timber products two weeks ago, only to find that Washington has raised the stakes with yet a third duty.

Mr Michael Wilson, the Canadian Finance Minister, has announced that Canada was restoring duties on a range of books, periodicals and other publications from the US; computer parts and semi-conductors; and several smaller trade items.

The duties will bring insome Can$80 million (about £38 million) a year.

The move is in retaliation for a 35 per cent tariff imposed by the Reagan Administration on Canadian shingles and shakes on May 22.

Meanwhile the US International Trade Commission voted on Monday to tax Canadian steel products used in drilling oil and gas wells.

The commission upheld a complaint by American producers that imports from Canada and Taiwan were "subsidized and under-priced".

Spassky beats Timman to take the lead

Bugojno, Yugoslavia (AP) – Boris Spassky, the former world chess champion now playing for France, took the lead in the incomplete seventh round of the Grand Masters tournament here by defeating Jan Timman, of The Netherlands, in 40 moves.

Another former world champion, Anatoly Karpov, of the Soviet Union, and Tony Miles, of Britain, adjourned after the 41st move in a much better position for Miles, who played black. Andrei Sokolov and Artur Yusupov, the Soviet grandmasters, drew on the 36th move.

Cairo persuades Iraq to save condemned forgers

From A Correspondent, Cairo

Iraq has bowed to diplomatic pressure from Cairo and commuted death sentences on 10 Egyptians convicted of forging passports and "sabotaging the national economy".

Mr Tariq Aziz, the Iraqi Foreign Minister, confirmed the decision after a two-day visit to Baghdad by his Egyptian counterpart, Dr Esmat Abdel Meguid, in which he lobbied for reduced sentences.

Mr Aziz said that President Saddam Husain had decided to reduce the sentences to life imprisonment "in response to a request by his brother, President Hosni Mubarak."

It was clear, however, that it was a reluctant decision. President Saddam had confirmed the death sentences and an execution date had been set.

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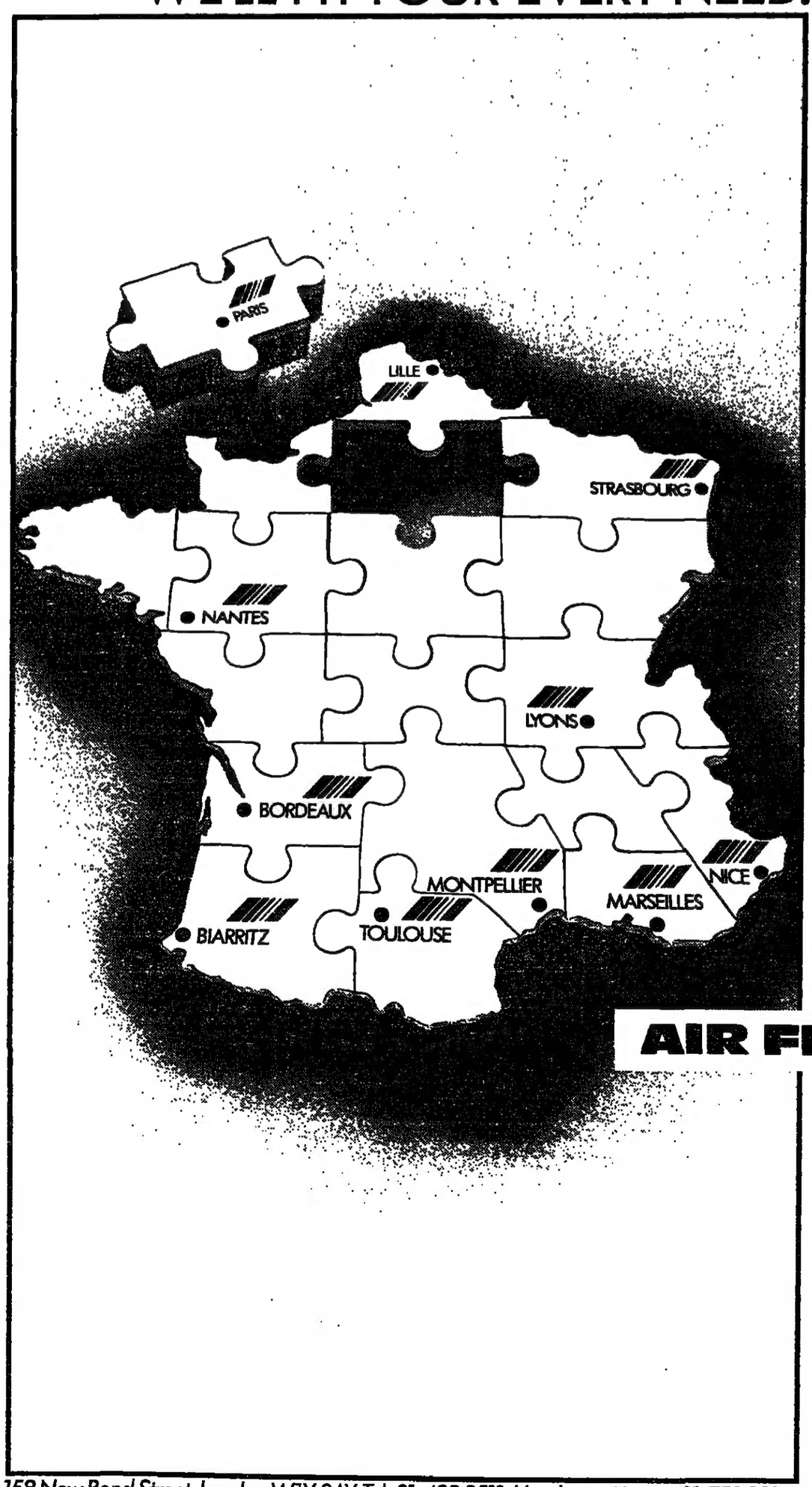

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Defence report paves the way for Australian forces revamp

From Stephen Taylor, Sydney

The long-awaited Dibb Report – described by Canberra as the most comprehensive review of Australia's defences since the Second World War – has reaffirmed priorities to make the country more self-reliant in the face of a potential threat from the north.

The report paves the way for a restructuring of the armed forces, based on three principles:

- That Australia will exert its military independence for 1,000 nautical miles around its coastline, but will not again be required to commit forces externally – for example, to a conflict in the Philippines.
- That surveillance over the northern horizon be accelerated and expanded.
- That air and naval strike capability be sharpened.

The lead-up to the tabling of the report in Parliament yesterday was touched by the sensitivities of Indonesia and the United States.

A 9,000-word section dealing with the contingency of an invasion by "a regional power" has been kept classified, to avoid antagonizing the Indonesians.

Although a vehement attack on Australia in the Indonesian Army newspaper this week indicates that the April disagreements with Canberra still rankle in Jakarta, the report states that Indonesia will not be strong enough militarily to invade before the end of the century.

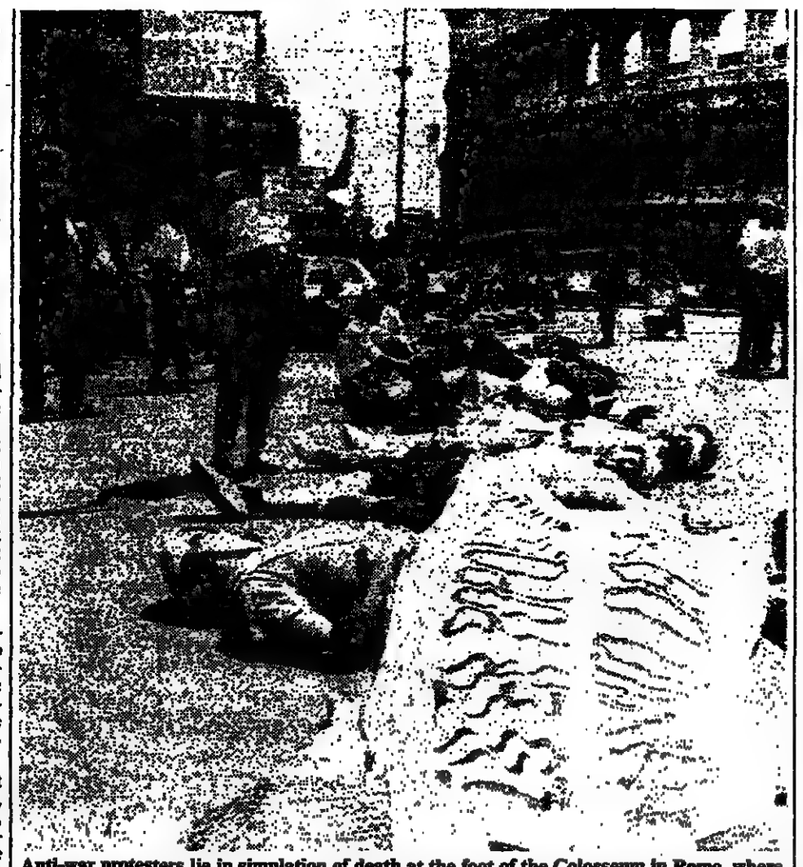
The Australian Government has also been anxious to reassure the US by emphasizing its commitment to the Anzus alliance, citing the report as a review of defence capability, rather than of defence policy.

There have been persistent reports, denied by Canberra, that when Mr Kim Beazley, the Minister of Defence, visited Washington in May he encountered criticism that the review was isolationist and based on a concept of "fortress Australia".

The man behind the report is Mr Paul Dibb, a senior research fellow in strategic studies at the Australian National University who was born in Yorkshire, and author of the book, *Soviet Union: Incomplete Superpower*.

The call to improve surveillance of the northern coastline is one striking aspect of the report. An Australian over-the-horizon radar system known as Jindalee, still under trial, has been given Mr Dibb's emphatic endorsement, with recommendations that its use be expanded and accelerated.

Mr Kim Beazley: "Fortress Australia" reports denied.



Anti-war protesters lie in simulation of death at the foot of the Colosseum in Rome, where armed forces marched past to mark the 40th anniversary of the Italian Republic on Sunday.

Poll setback limits Ecuador options in balancing books

Quito (Reuter) – The conservative President León Febrés Cordero of Ecuador faces increasing difficulty in imposing austerity on his oil-exporting nation after successes by his opponents in mid-term elections to Congress.

Bankers and diplomats say that President Febrés Cordero now faces the challenge of carrying out delicate negotiations with foreign creditors to secure foreign exchange against the background of a hostile Congress. Ecuador is squeezed by low prices for oil, its main export.

Returns from Sunday's polls show the centre-left and Marxist parties won 55.5 per cent of the vote against 35.5 per cent for pro-government parties. Nine per cent went to neutral, centrist parties.

The newly-elected deputies will take office in August, ending control of Congress by the pro-American Señor Febrés Cordero halfway through his four-year term.

Señor Alvaro Saenz, a sociologist and head of a Quito polling and research centre, said: "The opponents in Congress will harass the Government at a time when it will try to impose hard-line economic measures to grapple with an oil price fall."

The Ecuador Congress can impeach or oust ministers with a simple majority vote, and bankers say that the Finance Minister or other ministers could become targets for harassment.

Austerity measures have been mild this year, with the Government trimming its Budget by only 5 per cent and imposing import tariff surcharges of up to 30 per cent.

But uncertainty about future measures prompted a devaluation of the national currency by about 5 per cent before trading in dollars was suspended on Thursday.

Quito still glistens with prosperity created by an oil boom in the 1970s.

But bankers and diplomats speculate that austerity options include another devaluation and an increase in the price of petrol.

Memories are fresh of the 14 per cent petrol increase and 21 per cent devaluation in March 1983 which sparked a general strike and protest in which one person died and more than 50 were wounded.

Peking and Tokyo join forces on trade loss

From A Correspondent
Peking

The largest trade meeting ever held between China and Japan ended in Peking at the weekend with both sides pledging to cut China's large deficit with Japan.

The 163-member Japanese delegation of government officials and business leaders proposed to help China to increase its ability to export by building factories to produce export-quality goods.

The 160-strong Chinese delegation promised to improve the quality and packaging of Chinese products, to speed delivery and to develop new commodities.

Japan's economic and financial presence in China has become a matter of great concern to both countries.

Late last year Chinese student demonstrations in Peking, Xian, Wuhan and Chengdu denounced "the second Japanese invasion of China" (the first being the Japanese occupation of Manchuria in the 1930s).

Two billboards advertising Japanese goods near Tiananmen Square in Peking were taken down, and imports of Japanese consumer goods, including automobiles were banned for two years.

Most vexing to both sides has been China's large trade deficit with Japan. In 1985 that deficit totalled $5.2 billion (£3.5 billion).

China, involved in its massive modernization drive, cannot afford such trade imbalances; and the Japanese do not want to antagonize China further.

Japanese businesses proposed 84 co-operation projects, while the Chinese put forward some 100, involving mainly agriculture and petrochemicals, garments and electrical machinery.

Royal Navy joins Japanese in Pacific exercises

From David Watts
Tokyo

The Royal Navy and Japanese naval forces are exercising together for the first time on a large scale since the First World War in Rim of the Pacific (Rimpac) exercises off Hawaii.

The Royal Navy is taking part in Rimpac '86 for the first time after the United States decided not to invite participation in this year's manoeuvres by the Royal New Zealand Navy after the breakdown of defence relations between Washington and Wellington over port visits by nuclear-armed American ships.

The Canadian and Australian navies have also joined the largest participating force, from the US Navy.

The last time the Royal Navy and the Japanese worked together on such a scale was when the Japanese Imperial Navy dispatched the cruisers Niitaka and Tsushima to the Cape of Good Hope in early 1917 at the request of Sir Edward Grey, the then Foreign Secretary.

At that time, two flotillas of Japanese destroyers also were sent to assist the Royal Navy in the Mediterranean.

This time the Japanese and British fleets will again find themselves on the same side – most of the time. According to the Japanese press, American, British and Japanese fleets will join forces to relieve the "occupation" of Hawaii and to eliminate "enemy" forces along the way, from the US west coast.

The British force consists of HMS Beaver, a Type 22 frigate; HMS Manchester, a Type 42 frigate; HMS Alacrity, a Type 21 frigate; and a nuclear submarine.

The American fleet includes two nuclear-powered aircraft carriers, the 81,600-ton Carl Vinson and the smaller USS Enterprise, as well as nuclear-powered vessels of the US Third Fleet based in Hawaii.

Japan's contribution to the exercises is the largest – eight surface vessels and a submarine – since it first took part in Rimpac manoeuvres in 1980.

The Japanese flotilla, led by the destroyer Kurama, the flagship of Rear Admiral Toru Iwasawa, includes two 3,850-ton Tachikaze-class destroyers and five 2,950-ton Uki-class destroyers.

All the Japanese ships apart from the Tachikaze vessels feature some British armament or other element of British naval technology.

After Rimpac, the Japanese vessels are expected to sail on to Guam for further exercises.

Ershad to keep rule by military

From Ahmed Fazl
Dhaka

President Ershad of Bangladesh said yesterday that he would not lift martial law before holding presidential elections. But he gave no date for the poll.

He told a private news agency that he was not prepared to heed Opposition demands immediately to lift martial law, which is now in its fifth year. "I cannot end martial law before presidential polls."

His refusal came as the Awami League and seven other parties called a protest rally for the capital today.

General Ershad said that he would summon the Parliament later this month and ask the House to pass a constitutional amendment legalizing his rule as chief martial law administrator.

● Asian visit: General Ershad left Dhaka yesterday for Bhutan on the first of several visits to build closer ties with South-East Asian countries.

Gandhi Pakistan visit delayed by treaty texts

From Hasan Akhtar, Islamabad

A visit to Pakistan by the Indian Prime Minister, Mr Rajiv Gandhi, has been delayed because the texts of two agreements between the countries have not been completed, Pakistan's Parliament was told yesterday.

President Zia had made a personal invitation to Mr Gandhi in December to visit Pakistan, when the agreements were expected to have been signed.

Mr Mohammad Khan Junejo, the Prime Minister, said at question time in the National Assembly that it was not known when Mr Gandhi would now visit Pakistan.

The lower House was told that the visit had been delayed because the texts had not been completed for a proposed agreement that each other's nuclear installations should not be attacked, and another combining Pakistan's proposal of a non-aggression pact with India's suggestion of a treaty of peace, friendship and co-operation.

Official Indian statements reported in the press had indicated that Mr Gandhi was unlikely to visit Pakistan soon because of a perceptible lack of enthusiasm to pursue talks on normalisation of relations between the countries.

Tanaka to fight election

Tokyo – Mr Kakuei Tanaka, the former Japanese Prime Minister, is to run in the general election on July 6 even though has been out of active political life for 15 months after a stroke (David Watts writes).

A magazine published by his supporters has printed colour photographs of the former leader under the headline "Preparing for a comeback: days for recharging."

Although Mr Tanaka has not made a public appearance since his stroke, the magazine says he is recovering steadily.

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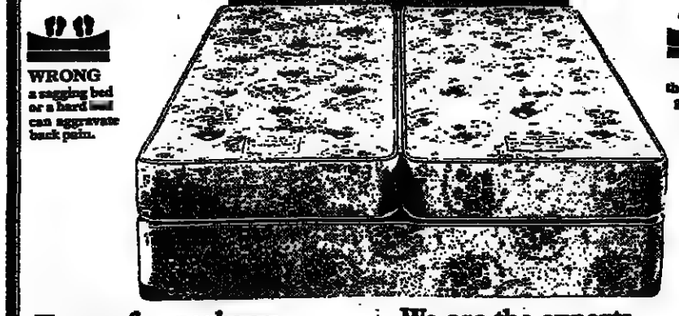

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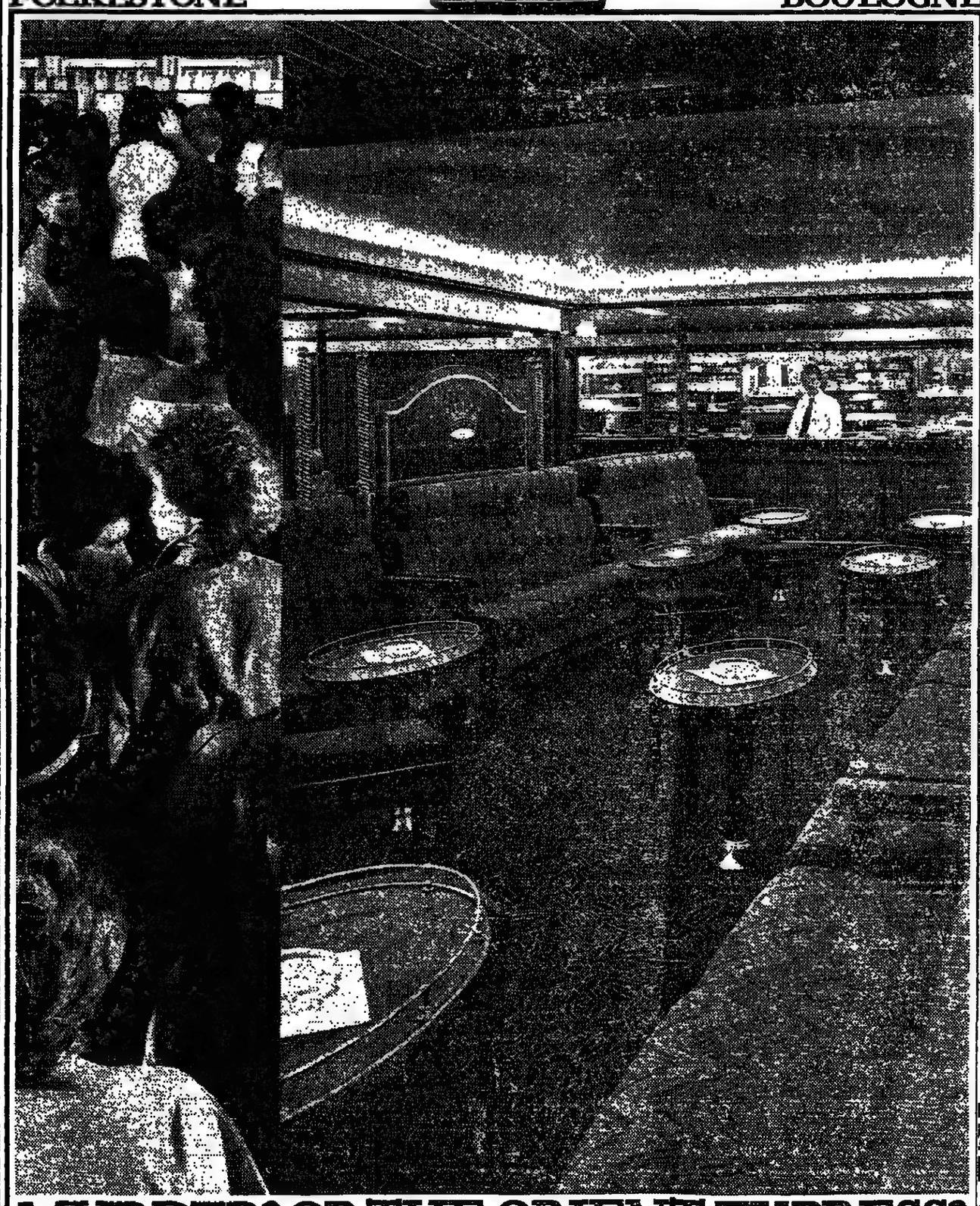

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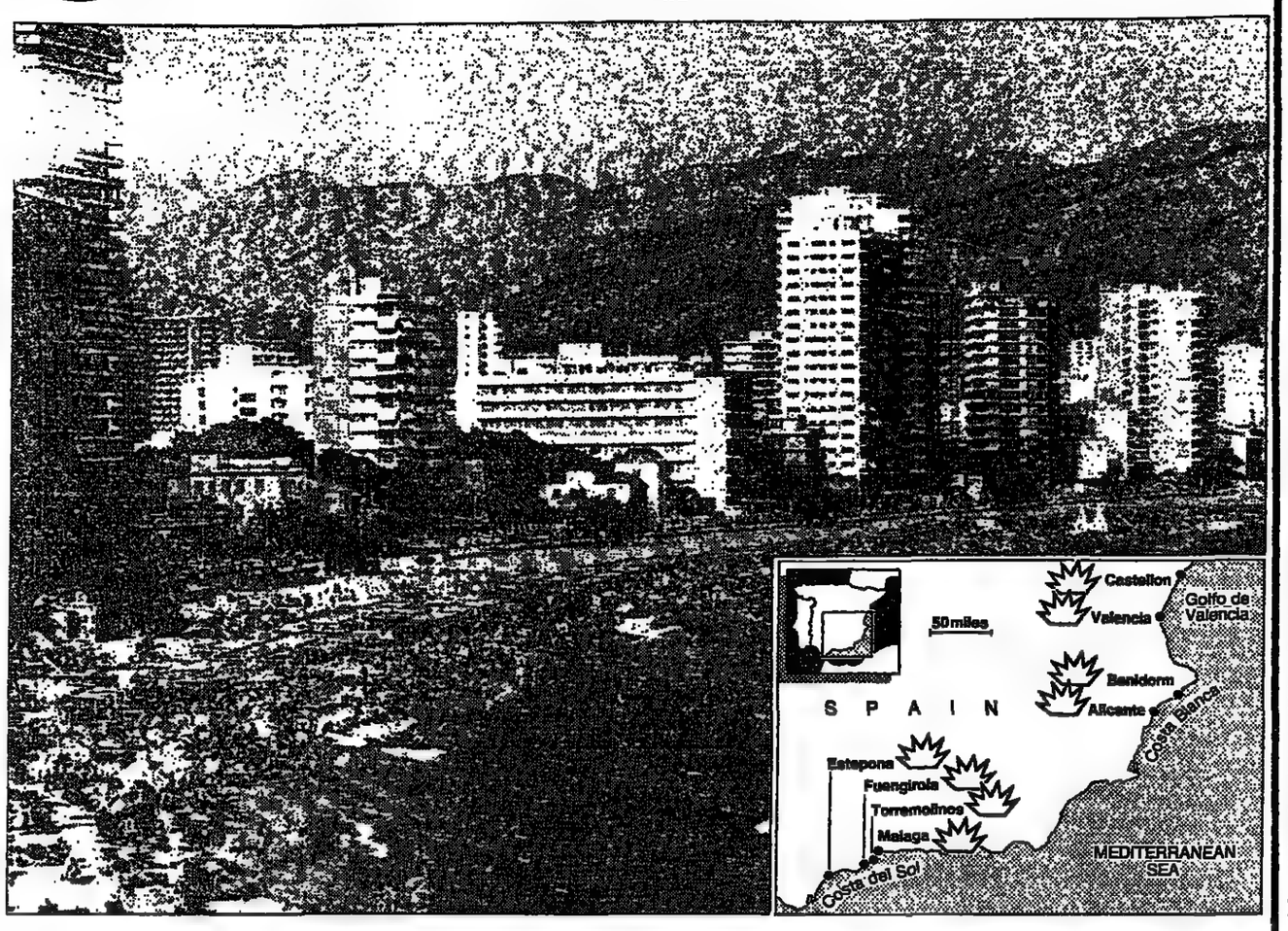
Danger in the Spanish sun

As the Basque combers step up their campaign, Michael Hornsby finds coastal makers unworried by the blasts



If proof were needed that the current bombing campaign being waged along the Spanish coast by the Basque separatist organization Eta is failing in its objective of undermining tourism, one might look no further than the Mr Cervantes 1986 competition.

This is not a literary competition for the authors of picaresque novels. No, sir. It is an international trial of all that is raunchiest and most macho on the Costa del Sol, and it was brought to a triumphant conclusion in the early hours of yesterday morning.

To enter, it was necessary only to be an uninhibited male guest in the Hotel Cervantes in Torremolinos — the very establishment at which, only a week ago yesterday, Eta exploded its first bomb this year.

"A bomb, yes, but such a little, little bomb", pleads Pedro Fagoaga, the 400-room four-star hotel's genial general manager, himself a Basque. "The damage is very, very small. It was six in the morning and nobody heard it. It was" — he searches for the word — "a *ridiculous* bomb."

But a bomb it was, and the first of several small devices that up till yesterday Eta had planted along the Mediterranean coastline, which attracts six million visitors a year from Britain alone. It went off in a ceiling panel at the side of the hotel foyer, and more than made up for its failure to wake the guests by the shock waves it sent through the Spanish tourist industry.

Yet they seemed to be subsiding. A local paper headline on Mr Fagoaga's desk proclaimed: "The Eta bombs have not affected tourism", and quoted spokesmen for the British tour firms Thomson, Horizon and Intasun as reporting no cancellations whatsoever — yet.

Mr Fagoaga himself, now coming clean about his own bomb (at first the hotel insisted it was a "gas explosion"), is optimistic. "I don't think it's going to have any effect at all", he said. "Look around. People are enjoying themselves."

People indeed were wandering about quite unconcerned, buying pints of lager, wearing funny hats, eating egg and chips and doing all the other things people go to Spain for.

And when it came to the beloved evening moment — which might be termed hair-letting-down-time — that is so much a part of this colourful coast and its traditions, people hung back not one jot. Though it must be said that the Mr Cervantes competition did not encourage hanging back.

The organizers, the audience and the finalists, having eaten dinner in the Don Quixote restaurant or the Sancho Panza cafeteria, assembled in the Dulcinea ballroom for the coming struggle, and when asked about bombs, professed themselves Not Bothered.

Displaying a complete lack of bother, for instance, was Johnny, the Spanish master of ceremonies, a 44-year-old Catalan Lionel Blair lookalike with slim hips, Cuban heels and a ravaged yet still youthful face. If you think of the Mr Cervantes competition as the Eurovision Song Contest writ small — very small — then Johnny represented Katie Boyle, possessed of a similar fluency in theart of knowing a small number of words in a large number of languages. France! Un point! England! Two points! España! Tres puntos! Deutschland! Vier punte! Italia! Cinque punti!

"Bombs, is nothing!" Johnny snorted. "It's a stupid something. Every year it's the same. I donno who says about it, here in Spain nobody know; is nothing, nothing, nothing!"

Similarly — although perhaps less exuberantly — unconcerned were the audience, a small United Nations of 400 holiday-makers, the Germans, Dutch, Belgians, Danes, Italians and French all cool in their lightweight suits and the British relaxing as hard as they could in their tweed sports jackets and thick leather sandals with thick woolly socks. (No, be fair: the more adventurous young Brits wear white shoes.)

And quite at their ease were the finalists in this supreme test of manhood, two young Italians from Grossetto and Naples, both in estate agency, they said, and two gallant British lads, 19-year-old Kim Clark from Scarborough, who works in his father's hotel, and 34-year-old James Shaw from Letchworth, Herts, who works in suspended ceilings.

Bombs? They too were Not Bothered. "I'm not bothered", said James. "They won't bomb this place twice, will they ?" Added Kim: "I'm having a great holiday."

As far as the Mr Cervantes 1986 contest was concerned, their confidence was well founded. The first heat, involving half a minute of press-ups, passed off undisturbed, apart from the collapse of young Mr Clark half way through.

Next, the bare-chested muscle-flexing went without a hitch. The miming to a rock 'n' roll record was as completely unhindered by international terrorism as the subsequent imitation by the four contestants of the noises of their five favourite animals. The final stage, with the candidates required to parade in their girlfriends' clothes and make-up, was perfectly without untoward incident all the way through to the final strip-tease.

But the thought did occur that if the Eta bomb, which exploded only a few yards from the scene of these proceedings, had instead gone off during them and had perhaps been slightly larger, the cheers and laughter that accompanied the closing stages of the Mr Cervantes contest would have changed to something very different. Four hundred people packed in a room, tasting fun, enjoying their hard-earned holiday: a fragile happiness in the world of the bomb planter.

At the moment, though, while the Basque terrorists are giving telephone warnings of small bombs designed to hit property rather than people, British holiday-makers in Spain are still drinking lager, buying funny hats and eating egg and chips without a care in the world.

There is, in fact, only one cloud on the horizon for us Brits down here in Torremolinos: the Mr Cervantes title went to Italy.

BOMBING CAMPAIGN

1985: May 1, Benidorm: First explosion in the Eta beach bombing campaign. All the initial bombs are small.

May 2, Valencia: Second bomb explodes.

May 3, Alicante: Two more bombs explode.

May 4, Alicante: Another small blast.

May 9, Costa Blanca: Police find four unexploded bombs. Eta claim there are four more: none found.

August 1, Benidorm: Bomb explodes near beachside phone box, slightly injuring two Swedish tourists.

August 2, Castellon: Blast demolishes empty restaurant just before dawn. Spaniard living nearby dies of heart attack.

1986: May 27, Torremolinos: Early morning explosion at Cervantes Hotel causes little damage; does not even wake guests. Police said was due to a gas leak, but Eta claim they planted a bomb.

May 29, Fuengirola: Blast at four-star Hotel Las Palmeras. Advance warning from anonymous phone caller prompts the evacuation of more than 500 guests.

May 29, Torremolinos: Bomb found and safely defused at Hotel Melia. Eta say they planted it.

May 31, Malaga: Police acting on anonymous phone warning remove unexploded bomb from Malaga Palacio Hotel.

May 31, Benidorm: Close to midnight, bomb explodes in bathroom at Las Garzas Hotel. Chunks of ceiling plaster shower down on occupants of rooms nearby, but there are no serious injuries.

June 2, Estepona: Small bomb explodes at Atalaya Park Hotel. No one injured.

Soaring back to the future

Fifty years after its brief and tragic heyday, the passenger airship is back and flying. George Hill took a trip

The gatekeeper had a gleam in his eye, as he stood outside the tent in a muddy field near Watford, which serves as the air terminal for the world's first passenger airship service in almost 50 years.

"I've been wanting to be involved in this since 1939!", he hissed ecstatically, while passengers stumbled back across the rough turf after a costly but exhilarating spin in the aerial cruise liner of yesterday — and perhaps tomorrow. The airship itself waited, like a tethered cloud, for its next load of passengers.

Once, airships seemed to have the future on their side, majestically riding the skies at a time when aeroplanes were spindly insects. For two generations, though, the triumph of the plane has been complete. But still a few dogged people persisted, ready to bear endless disappointments in their determination to prove that the way to fly is to float. The public image of airships is one of obsolescence, and of the spectacular tragedies that overcame the Hindenburg and the R-101. The new passenger service will, it is hoped, change that.

Organized by Airship Industries, the passenger rides, which continue until June 15, are as much an exercise in public familiarization and reassurance as a commercial proposition. The ship's main role at present is as a flying billboard, while the sightseeing trips over central London serve to fill the Skyship's half-dozen seats. The service was fully booked almost as soon as it was announced.

The Skyship 500 is a surprisingly lively flier, aiming its nose upwards at takeoff and climbing rapidly. Like a light plane, it sways in passing currents of air and banks as it turns. As a London sightseeing tour at £100 a ride it is rather expensive, but dull would be be of soul who would not be touched by the sight of a great city from 1,000 feet on a fine day. Swinging over north London, we could see a black dog swimming in circles in a pond on Hampstead Heath, and the rabbit-hutch in my own back garden.

Airship Industries has six of its Skyships flying or being built on four continents, and in partnership with Westinghouse it has tendered for a US Navy contract to build a prototype early warning surveillance vessel. This airship would be almost 20 times the size of present craft, and would have a 35-ton payload.

"The overall silhouette looks very like the airships of the past", Roger Munk, designer-engineer of the new ships, says. "But 99 per cent of the ship involves totally new materials and concepts." Computer controls, vector-thrust propellors and advanced lightweight materials make possible large improvements in efficiency (the polycarbonate envelope is gas-proofed internally with a layer of food-wrapping film).

Inflammable hydrogen gas and a rigid metal structure — the two main safety weaknesses of the old airships — have been eliminated from post-war craft, which have carried more than a million people since 1945 without a fatality. More than once, people have taken pot-shots at them from the ground, but the ships have cruised on.

"The old ships often used to buckle and collapse in air turbulence", Munk says. "They could be several hundred yards long, but their metal frameworks weighed only about a hundred tons. Modern materials should allow for ships twice as big as our US navy design without any need for a frame. A non-rigid ship can be designed to buckle in turbulence and recover."

It is impossible to hurry a balloon along too quickly. Skyships have a top speed of about 60 mph, and future ships are unlikely to attain much more than 150. "They will be able to compete for jobs where speed is not too important", says Munk, "and where endurance, lifting-power and spaciousness count."

Sight worth seeing: Airship Industries' six-passenger craft

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What, no scorcher?

A strange, wet winter and a miserable spring. Dare we hope for a hot summer?

After the dismal late spring we have just endured, one popular misconception has kept up some people's spirits: that after a cold winter we are due for a good summer. Sadly this belief represents the triumph of hope over experience.

Temperature records for central England since 1680 show that the 30 coldest winters were followed by cool or very cool summers more than five times more often than by warm or very warm summers. So on the basis of the statistics we should expect bad summers following bad winters.

The assumption about being due for a good summer is not, however, a long-standing one. Folklore is virtually silent on what follows a cold winter. Far more attention is given to what happens in spring — witness the behaviour of the oak and the ash:

If the oak is out before the ash,
Twill be a summer of wet and splash;
But if the ash is before the oak,
Twill be a summer of fire and smoke.

This attention to the progress of vegetation is hardly surprising. The timing of the emergence of leaf and blossom can vary by several weeks from year to year, so it is inevitable that it should be seen as a sign of things to come. This year the ash has emerged first.

The relatively recent link between cold winters and warm summers could stem from the extremes of 1947. An exceptionally severe winter, with the coldest February on record, was followed by possibly the wettest spring since 1727 and then a blazing summer. This seems to have reinforced the experience of 1940 when another exceptionally cold winter was followed by a fine summer with a notably warm sunny June.

In fact 1947 is the only example in the past 300 years when a truly cold winter has been followed by an outstandingly warm summer. In any case last winter was not particularly cold overall. Its combination of a very mild December, wet January and frozen February has no close equivalent in the past 300 years. So what can we expect following such an odd winter and a dismal spring?

Robert Ratcliffe, former head of the Meteorological Office's long range forecast group, and his one-time colleague, Ned Davis, have been examining weather records for many years. Their analysis for this summer makes exceedingly gloomy reading: the odds are heavily in favour of a very cool summer.

This forecast is supported by the recent abnormally low sea surface temperatures in the Atlantic, north of 40 degrees N and around the British Isles, and the patterns in the upper atmosphere. With this evidence they have gone out on a limb and suggested that the summer of 1986 could be the worst since 1956 — another year that featured a bitter February and a miserable April.

The one ray of hope is that while the great majority of parallels involve outstandingly awful summers, a small minority featured scorchers. So you never know . . .

W. J. Burroughs

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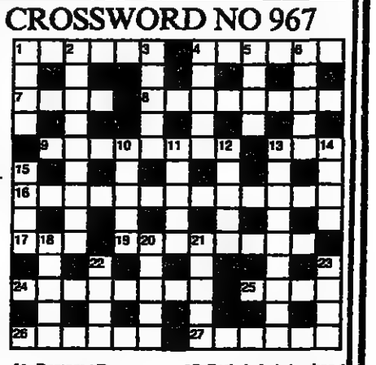

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WEDNESDAY PAGE

Putting love into sex education

The Government is pressing schools to incorporate family virtues into sex lessons — but many teachers believe they have never really been absent

Will Britain shortly be breeding a new "moral" generation to take over from the current permissive society? Will children soon be leaving school with a due appreciation for traditional two-parent family and a disapproval of homosexuality along with their O- and A-levels?

This week the House of Lords approved an amendment to the Education Act which, for the first time in Britain, prescribes that sex education should inculcate "moral considerations and the value of family life." For the conservatives who pressed for it, the amendment is a first step on the path back to what they consider decent, healthy traditional values.

Lord Buckmaster, aged 65, former diplomat and Arabist who was behind the amendment believes that sex education in many British schools is "amoral if not downright immoral."

Schools should pass on an ideal of the family "in the traditional sense as a life-giving force — not some of the modern variants which have come to be accepted".

He admits that the number of children from one-parent families or broken homes — since one in three marriages now ends in divorce — makes things difficult. "You have to be tolerant and flexible but still try and inculcate the idea of a stable family life."

During discussion of the Education Act Lord Buckmaster cited excerpts from sex education materials he considered aberrant, including *Make It Happy*, a well-known book by Jane Cousins which won the *Times Education Supplement* senior information book award.

The book is a straightforward guide to sex, its pleasures, problems, and dangers. Lord Buckmaster objected in particular to its statement that incest was "not particularly uncommmon, especially between brothers and sisters." (The book also stresses that incest is considered a serious crime and tells young people in this situation where to seek help.)

He criticised other books which, he said, taught that homosexual relationships were "in every way as right as other relationships", that many marriages do not work out and that some people choose to live together without marrying.

One family situation he found particularly distressing was depicted in a book for children called *Jenny Lives with Eric and Martin*, about a little girl spending a weekend with her father and his homosexual lover.

Nevertheless Lord Buckmaster believes that once it becomes law the amendment will be a weapon parents can use, through the courts if necessary, to get schools to fall into line.

Much of his ammunition was provided by Mrs Valerie Riches of Family and Youth Concern, who links sex education to increasing numbers of teenage pregnancies, illegitimacy, promiscuity, disease and broken marriages.

Sex education, she says, has become increasingly explicit and all-pervading, to the extent that a set book for the 1986 GCE and GCSE Biology, called *Biology for Life*, contains a chapter on sex, which she objects to particularly because it presents homosexuality as a form of sexual act which does not result in pregnancy — not, she says, a thing to tell 14 to 15 year-olds.

She hopes the amendment will force the Government to pay attention to what is being taught in schools and to the fact that sex education has to be curtailed. The amendment is "a chink which can open up into a much better future."

Anyone who talks to head teachers and education officials about sex education would not believe that they were living in the same country as Lord Buckmaster and Mrs Riches.

"Most schools already give sex education in the context of morality and loving, caring relationships" says Mr Arthur Lingard, head teacher at Billericay Comprehensive School. "We are aware of the pressures young people are under and the damage they can do to themselves, psychologically and physically."

"We advise them against premarital sex and that what is important is not only getting married but staying married."

How sex education is imparted in Britain varies from school to school. In most it has spread out of the biology class into courses on life skills, health education and other contexts in which personal relationships and responsibilities, not just the purely biological aspects, are discussed.

"It goes through the whole curriculum," says Mrs Anne Jones, head teacher of Cranford Community School, Hounslow. "We have some in science, some in Physical Education, some in Health Education, some in community relations, some in English — there are very few subjects it does not come into."

Mr David Whitbread, under-secretary for Education at the Association of County Councils, pointed out that sex education often started in primary school, with warnings about not going off with strangers and simple lessons on where babies come from. It develops as the pupils grow older "and by the time they are 16 or 17 years old you are talking about things like not treating the other sex as objects for brief moments of pleasure."

Education officers stress that sex education is discussed and agreed on in advance by head teachers with the school governors and parents. They find it hard to see what the amendment could possibly change. Teachers stress that they have to be very tactful in classes when there are all sorts of family situations. When one marriage in three ends in divorce they cannot tell children that only one family model is the right one.

In the end the difference between the conservatives and the education world boils down to: what is morality?

"We always keep everything against a moral backcloth. If you act morally you set everything in a context of love and stability and do not go round condemning people," says Mrs Jones. "Part of being moral is being tolerant about people in different life situations.

"It's no deal really. The amendment wants it to be put in a moral context and we totally support that. That's what we've been doing these past 25 years."

Patricia Clough

Coordinated style of a clone prince

Joseph Ettedgui's up-market designs have filtered down to the high-street chains. Bryan Appleyard meets a modern master

Joseph Ettedgui is dressed in black except for a white shirt, striped in black, and a tie, dotted with white. He wears glasses with slender black rims and his chin is covered with grizzled "designer stubble" of about the same length as his hair.

Since his head is more or less perfectly oval, the effect is like that of a child's puzzle picture — the face is still a face when you turn the book upside down. He is small, brown and somewhat wizened and his huge Jamaican cigar is rather out of proportion. But the net effect is relentlessly coordinated, an affront to the unthinking disharmony of one's own attire.

Coordination is what Joseph — as he is known by everybody from Companies House to his bar staff — is all about. He coordinates at the rate of about £10 million a year and is personally responsible for some hair-raising credit card accounts among normally cautious middle-class women.

He designs clothes and he sells them with an easy instinctive logic to the women who know the horror of what Joseph calls "mistakes in your wardrobe". He is, in some ways, the godfather of today's high street revolution and he can make bits of London fashionable faster than you can find them in your *A to Z*.

Suitably enough for a man whose style derives so clearly from the tropical-exotic urban chic of the 1930s, he was born in Casablanca to a Moroccan Jewish family. His father ran a furniture store and, until his early twenties, Joseph helped out. Family ambition required that he become a lawyer but, by then, life in Morocco had deteriorated because of the political climate and the boy came to make his fortune in London.

He arrived in the late 1950s with just enough money to pay his way through a hairdressing course. He took a job with Richard Henry, a company with a long chain of London salons, and rose to become manager of the Sloane Square branch.

"I enjoyed hairdressing because I am very impatient and with hair you see what you have achieved within an hour. Also unconsciously you learn how to deal with people and you get a feeling for every angle of a woman." He speaks with a thick accent made unfamiliar by its mixture of influences from his two mother tongues, French and Spanish.

Joseph set out on his own with a salon in the King's Road at the beginning of the 1960s, just as the road was just taking on the chic, febrile quality which was to make it emblematic of that decade. Thanks to that and his ability to make and sustain connections, Joseph's shop was a success. But by 1963 it ran into difficulties, as rents rose, and it became clear that he could only stay in the King's Road by diversifying away from the limited profitability of hairdressing.

'So important not to feel overcrowded'

So he began by placing a few clothes he had bought from Paris in the reception area. He formed a connection with the designer Kenzo and began systematically bringing his clothes into London. Hairdressing finally disappeared altogether. But by the end of the Sixties, the "life" of the King's Road had begun to lose some of its gloss.

"I have always had to adapt myself, to change things depending on the feeling of people coming into the shop. By about 1968 the road had become very tatty.

"So I took the plunge and found a place in Knightsbridge. That was Kenzo. That shop was great — it became like a little club. Now we always have that feeling in our shops — a good relationship with the clients and a friendly, family atmosphere."

Again, Joseph was just ahead of the fashionable crowd in his choice of location. Knightsbridge usurped the King's Road's role as the home of high cost, high fashion. He was to do the same in South Molton Street and Sloane Street; now he has colonized the area west of Knightsbridge around Draycott Avenue.

"I get a big kick out of being there first — seeing a dead street gradually come to life day by day. When Benetton and shops like that move in I begin to lose interest. I love the feeling of building up something and stimulating the staff; the challenge and the pressure is very important.

"It's the same with the design of our places. Norman Foster did a beautiful job with our corner shop in Sloane Street but everybody said we'd left the scaffolding in or something. Six months later everybody was ripping off the ideas — that was the beginning of hi-tech in shop design."

Now Joseph has 21 shops, two of them in New York, three in Paris and the rest, including two cafés, in London. He arranges them in small clusters in his key areas and, these days, they are all designed by Eva Jiricna in a hard, faintly art deco style. They are characterized by a sparseness of furniture, fittings or ornament and relatively few lines of stock: "You should always have a bit of fresh air", he says. "It's so important not to feel overcrowded." The clothes that *are* there are carefully arranged so that they always coordinate.

Eight years ago Joseph was approached by a factory owner in Stevenage who had been making school and army clothes and wanted to become a fashion supplier. Joseph took up the offer and became a designer overnight.

"It was not changing shapes — more a case of research into colour, quality and details. It was never really like sitting down and designing things. This man just showed us a pullover and we said perhaps make it a little bit wider or whatever."

The result is that Joseph is as much a designer as a retailer and wholesaling and exporting his own clothes has become a significant part of his business. The influence of his total package has been enormous. The high street chain Next obviously owes its style of carefully coordinated and controlled lines to Joseph's inspiration.

He is reluctant to anatomize his customers but some kind of typical Joseph woman emerges from his talk. Her age is, perhaps, irrelevant, though it is almost certainly between 16 and 45, and she goes shopping two or three times in a six-month season. At his shop she may spend £250 on a few items and, because of the coordination, these should give her a whole variety of different outfits with no "mistakes in the wardrobe".

The number and fidelity of these women mean that it has all worked like a dream and given Joseph, at the age of 50, something dangerously like a big company. He has now been joined by his two brothers, Franklin and Maurice, and rumours from the City strongly suggest that he is about to go public though, for the moment, he denies this.

He is frightened at the whole prospect of size, of losing his small-scale thrills at pioneering in uncharted areas of the West End, then sitting back and watching the BMWs nose tentatively in after him.

But, whatever happens, his impact is undeniable. He has been one of those designer-businessmen who has turned fashion and the whole idea of a designer look into a way of life rather than simply a label on one's clothes.

It is an extraordinary achievement, but it is also a slightly chilling one. For his success is built upon the new and terrifying culture-less international middle class — a barbaric community of skiers, narcissists and hustlers — who have emerged hardened against the sentimentality of the Sixties but determined to preserve that decade's hedonism.

'It is very international now for everybody'

It is appropriate that the deracinated Joseph, who now never returns to Morocco and whose two sons have become so English, should be the one to interpret the wishes of this tribe so accurately and with such unnerving foresight.

The barbarians want simple understated clothes in which the initiated can spot quality. They must be neither too classic nor too wild — the barbarians are nothing if not compromisers.

As a tribe they, like Joseph, were not in the front of the queue when the senses of irony were handed out. As a result they love the slightly witless, sombre quality of his style. Disconcertingly, Joseph derives pleasure from this flavourless clientele.

"Let me tell you: for the type of people which is exactly the same everywhere. They like more or less the same things, they say the same things, there is very little difference. It is very international now for everybody, I think."

He speaks, of course, of the ultimate hell of coordination where the people match as well as the clothes, where everything is fresh, airy and ordered in a way that it wasn't, one suspects, in Casablanca. The problem is that for Joseph, this cloned world of the humourless and exquisitely dressed seems like paradise enough.

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Philip Sayer

Joseph Ettedgui: relentlessly coordinated, an affront to the disharmony of one's own attire

'I get a kick out of being there first, seeing a dead street come to life'

Early lessons in bitter reality

TALKBACK

From Mrs E. Rodgers, Pulborough Road, Storrington, West Sussex

My initial reaction to All in the Family Way (Monday Page, May 26), was shock. Thinking about it afterwards I came to the conclusion that perhaps childhood — as a preparation for life — is unnecessary. Why not treat children simply as small adults from the word go and introduce them to all the realities which may one day form part of their scene?

If a child is present when a baby is conceived then there is no need for sex instruction in the schools. Watching the birth of a baby — blood, pain and everything — will make quite clear to both sexes what is the natural outcome of mating. A day or two spent in an abortion clinic and watching the treatment given to those with sexually-transmitted diseases, in a VD hospital, will illustrate far more clearly the outcome of irresponsibility. Children watching the death of an old relative — or a young one for that matter — will understand the transience of this life.

Frequent attendance in the law courts to watch murder, rape or robbery with violence cases will clarify what might be the outcome of talking to strangers. Experience of living among "winos" will show the effects of alcohol, and a period with out-of-work people, who have to live on social security, might encourage many young people to obtain a skill.

Certainly there is a great deal to be learnt if one is to come to terms with life, and it does seem there is no time for fairy stories, toys, wonder or romance in our present earthy society.

From Mrs Margaret Ross, Monxton, Andover, Hampshire

Birth is a wonderful part of family life. I wonder if John and Dawn Carey shared with Emilia and Patrick the experience of Jack's conception, too?

From Mary Davis Peters, St Leonard's Terrace, London SW3

I am reluctant, indeed apprehensive, to take on the *British Medical Journal*, especially as I have not seen the "recent issue" quoted — and possibly only partially quoted — in Medical Briefing (Friday Page, May 23).

It is perfectly true that chicken-pox, like other fairly common illnesses, is best contracted in childhood. It is better for the child, and for the contemporaries from whom isolation is not recommended.

It is not better, however, for the adult who develops herpes zoster (shingles) after contact with a chicken-poxed child. This painful, debilitating and often long-lasting condition should not be ignored, even by anti-isolationist GPs. It is actually dangerous if it affects one of the nerves connected with facial skin, and is particularly distressing in the elderly.

Have a chicken-pox party if you must, but don't invite the grandparents. And have it, if the virus is kind enough to wait a little, in the holidays.

From Mrs S. R. Dawes, Bosman Drive, Windlesham, Surrey

The complacent attitude of the medical profession to chicken-pox appals me. To state that children need not be kept off school unless they feel unwell ignores that fact that these children must get to school somehow — most travel by bus — and thereby come into contact with dozens of unsuspecting adults who may not get a harmless, mild infection, but may be very ill, either with chicken-pox or, much worse, shingles. Anyone who has ever seen the pain and suffering of an elderly person months after contracting shingles must realize the importance of not spreading chicken-pox more than is necessary.

I might add that, on having chicken-pox for the second time a few years ago, I didn't have a single spot on my face and could easily have disguised the one on my neck with a polo-neck jumper, so no one would even have realized the need to avoid me had I gone out.

From Professor Paul Jackson, Department of Law, Reading University

Fairness to the memory of a remarkable woman requires amplification of the statement in *The Times* (Wednesday Page, May 28) that the recent appointment of a woman to a Regius Chair is the first such appointment. It may be the first appointment made on advice from Downing Street. The Regius Chair of Laws at Trinity College, Dublin was, however, held from 1944 to 1963 by Frances E. Moran.

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Trial of strength

Sir Roy Strong's temper, on a short leash at the best of times, has been set loose on Alexander Schouvaloff, keeper of the the theatre museum at the Victoria and Albert. Sir Roy, the V & A director, became incensed when, patrolling the building, he discovered that all theatre exhibits had been taken down in preparation for the collection's move to Covent Garden next year. In a memo, placed on Schouvaloff's personal file, Sir Roy wrote that he had not been informed and was "horrified to see the Galleries stripped." Shouvaloff's reply that the watercolour paintings would be harmed by further exposure to natural light cut little ice, and Sir Roy wrote back with a "formal warning". Fed up, Schouvaloff suggested an end to the memo war: "I suggest we meet on the front steps . . . You will recognize me by the white carnation I shall be wearing in my buttonhole." History does not relate Sir Roy's response but a new exhibition of photographs was soon on display (although taken off when the museum sprang another leak the other day.). A V & A spokesman assures me that all is again sweetness and light.

Bloomer

An understanding of James Joyce is not helped by the issue of several new Penguin copies of *Ulysses*, his most celebrated work, with the first 19 pages missing. The opening page begins: "He nodded to himself as he drew his trousers off. . . " Penguin were horrified when I told them of the omission, for they have been vaunting the edition as the version which J.J. himself would have wished to see, the original having been beset by countless errors by a French typesetter with an inadequate knowledge of English. I fancy Joyce would have been tickled pink by the new ambiguities visited upon him by the publishing industry.

Confidentially...

The British parliamentary group that recently visited Moscow spent much of its time wondering why Lord Whitelaw, its leader, was receiving such exaggerated deference from his Soviet hosts. The explanation turned out to be *Pravda*'s translation of Whitelaw's official title: Lord President of the Privy Council. This had somehow turned out as "Secret Council", which was enough to convince the Russians that they were being visited by the head of MI5.

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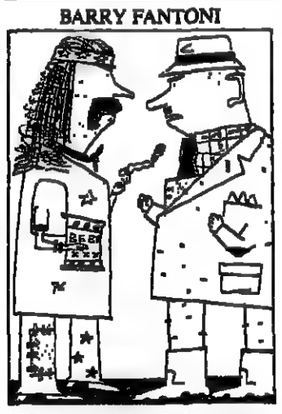

'After so much time in the country I'd have thought you could tell the difference between a pig and Consuble Booster'

Dalyell's query

Tam Dalyell is tabling questions in the House today on the four-year gap between the downing of an army helicopter by HMS Cardiff during the Falklands conflict and MoD confirmation last week. He is to ask the Defence Secretary, George Younger, and the Prime Minister what new evidence has come to light since the army coroner first reported that the helicopter's four crew were killed as a result of enemy action. As I wrote yesterday, the diaries of Narenda Sethia, a lieutenant on board the submarine Conqueror, show the incident was the subject of discussion in the conflict zone at the time.

Rooted out

Talbot Church, labelled as the "Man the Royals Trust", has had enough fun peddling his spoof book *101 Things You Didn't Know About the Royal Love Birds*. Time to blow the whistle. The Pan paperback, containing "facts" such as Sarah Ferguson's school nickname (Seconds), is actually written by Willie Donaldson, a humourist who gained notoriety a few years ago with a book of replies from celebrities to spoof letters from Henry Root (aka Donaldson). Yesterday, half-heartedly denying his identity, Church claimed my inquiries were "an invasion into the privacy of writers".

Skye's limit

David and Judy Steel's dream will come true on Friday when, after 24 years, they will at last stay at Skye's classy Skea Boft House hotel. The couple honeymooned in Skye in 1962 but could afford only bed and breakfast in a guest house, treating themselves merely to a cup of tea in the hotel. The romance will be dampened, however, by the presence of the Steels' dog Jill and the other panellists on *Any Questions* — the purpose of the visit.

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This Union must be for ever

by Ian Gow

Northern Ireland Unionists have not been properly treated. The government did not consult them about the Hillsborough agreement in the way that nationalists were consulted by Dublin.

It is not that a precedent was lacking. The 1978 devolution Acts provided for Scotland and Wales to be governed differently from the rest of the United Kingdom — provided at least 40 per cent of the electorate of each voted in favour in a referendum. In each country the vote was less than 40 per cent and the Acts were never implemented.

The Hillsborough agreement would not have been signed unless it was believed to be acceptable to the nationalist minority. It was; but it was not, and is not, acceptable to the majority.

Article 1 of the agreement affirms that any change in the status of Northern Ireland would come about only with the consent of a majority of its people. But the agreement itself has changed the status of Northern Ireland, without the consent of the majority, by providing "that the Irish Government will put forward views and proposals on matters relating to Northern Ireland".

The constitution of the Irish Republic lays claim to the territory of Northern Ireland. It is from the Republic that murderous assaults have been made on innocent people in the North, to which the guilty have returned and where, too often, they have found sanctuary. Yet the Irish government has been granted special privilege on matters relating to the North. If the Scottish and Welsh precedents of a referendum were followed in Northern Ireland, the result would be an overwhelming "no".

The Hillsborough agreement was preceded by two statements by the Prime Minister in the Commons. On July 29, 1982, she said: "No commitment exists for Her Majesty's Government to consult the Irish government on matters affecting Northern Ireland." And on May 17, 1984: "The constitutional future of Northern Ireland is a matter for Northern Ireland and this Parliament and for no one else".

Before November 15, 1985, the elected representatives of the majority in Northern Ireland had made it plain to the British government that the signing of an agreement on the lines of the frequent leaks would be unacceptable to the majority. That advice was not heeded. The position of the elected constitutional leaders was undermined. The agreement has played into the hands of the para-militaries, masquerading under the self-appointed title of "loyalists".

In Northern Ireland some voices are now heard calling for independence. In Great Britain those appalled by the perpetual violence and the attacks by so-called "loyalists" on the homes of members of the Royal Ulster Constabulary are calling for the end of the Union. There is no place in constitutional Unionism for those who resort to the methods which Unionists condemn when used by the IRA.

Against this background, there must be greater knowledge and understanding of the need to maintain the Union of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Those who value the Union must help to maintain the integrity of the United Kingdom and to establish full and equal rights of citizenship for the people of Northern Ireland.

It is not too late to change course. Article 11 of the Hillsborough agreement provides that at the request of either government the working of the inter-governmental conference may be reviewed to see whether changes in the scope and nature of its activities are desirable. As it becomes increasingly apparent that the agreement cannot achieve its declared purpose of "peace, stability and reconciliation" it will be possible for both governments to agree that changes should be made.

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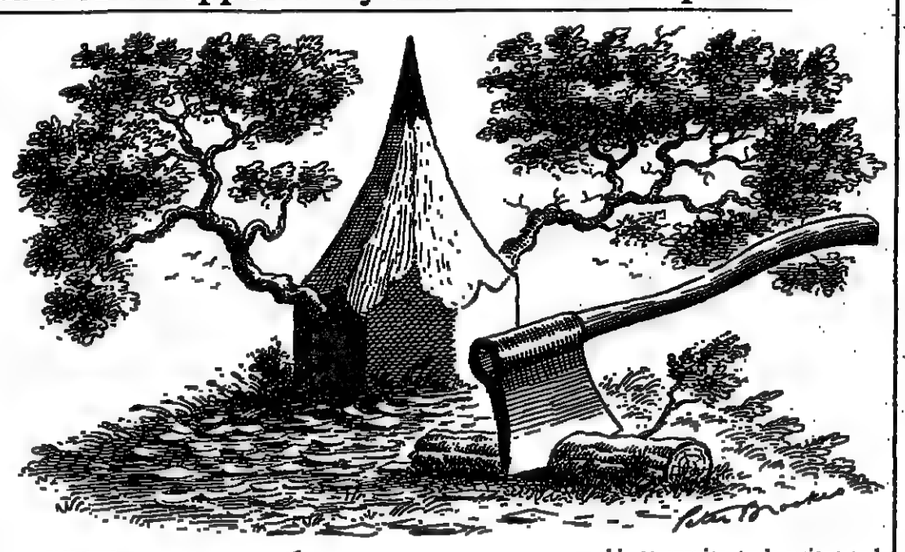
The author is Conservative MP for Eastbourne and founding member of The Friends of the Union, to be launched today.

George Graham on an opportunity that will not be repeated



How the axe could rebuild education

The proposals for state secondary schools set out so clearly by the Audit Commission for Local Authorities are among the most politically sensitive lying in Kenneth Baker's mountainous in-tray. The commission has taken a hard-headed look at the schools' surplus capacity. It argues that the cost of maintaining redundant places within a limited budget — not to mention the effect on morale and overall standards of unpopular, half-empty schools — would rule out improvements in education. It could negate in the classroom the measures to improve teaching standards which Sir Keith Joseph battled with the teachers to introduce.

The commission grasps the nettle of closures and urges local authorities to resist the inevitable local objections. It wants central government to assist in allocating the extra £1 billion for reorganization rather than resisting change, as the present grant system might do. And it concludes that time is running out to redirect resources into better education. This plan looks sensible enough, but the need for the extra money could ring political alarm bells.

Given current public unhappiness about education, it does not need much imagination to work out how a plan to improve standards by shutting the equivalent of 1,000 schools would be received. Yet there is a deeper dilemma underlying government policies towards both education and health that has made it more difficult to pursue long-term strategies commanding public support.

A government temperamentally attracted to privatization long ago accepted that the public demands education and health systems financed by taxation rather than full payment at time of use. Few see great injustice in some driving Rolls-Royces while others struggle to afford a bicycle, provided a person's value is not linked to wealth. But many do feel that birth should not determine educational opportunity and that good medical care in illness should extend to all. These are healthy common values that help hold communities together. Few would suppose that national health or education services offer equality, but they can offer a reasonably fair deal to all. By comparison with other advanced industrial countries, Britain is already a low spender on both health and education.

Yet the government is also committed to cutting the burden of public spending and attacking waste. Education and health are prime offenders. Indeed, the argument, now generally accepted, that public sector management of production has a built-in tendency to be inefficient, applies *a fortiori* to these sectors, particularly in Britain. Control and finance are split between central and local bodies and line management is in the hands of professionals who resent outside interference. Money thrown at these services stands little chance of emerging intact at the other end in better standards for the public.

Government has resisted thinking through this apparently intractable dilemma. As a result, it has been trying to ride two horses, advancing at a measured trot to improve services but holding a tight financial rein to jerk management into greater efficiency. At the same time it has encouraged private health and education in a half-hearted way, making no impact on public spending while encouraging the suspicion that it envisages two standards, only the basic minimum being provided by the state. The political result is predictable.

Yet resolving this long-term dilemma might well achieve the government's aims and replace the present political cost with benefits. The need to finance through taxation or to set and vet standards centrally does not imply that the state itself should provide and manage services. Nor need it preclude elements of consumer choice or competition between producers to improve standards and efficiency. Only peripheral gestures on ancillary services such as cleaning have been made in this direction — again a half-cock policy that has seemed ideological, had little effect yet achieved maximum political aggravation.

The current surplus capacity in secondary education could provide just the slack in the system required to go much faster in this direction, in terms of parental choice, matching teachers' independence to financial responsibility, or conducting a substantial experiment in contracting out state educational provision. The transitional costs need not be high. The dividend in popularity might be great.

The idea of contracting out education is not new, revolutionary or particularly capitalist. The non-profit direct grant schools, run independently by co-operation between teachers and governors (who usually interfered little educationally beyond the selection of headteachers) were a successful and competitive element of state education for 30 years. They were abolished because of dislike of the principle of selection, as a by-product of abolition of grammar schools, not for any objection to the principle of independence. (Though, as so often, a socialist measure to achieve equality, by pushing many direct grant schools into the paying sector, merely consolidated inequality.)

It can only be guessed whether this sector could rapidly be revived to achieve new purposes (specialist technical, religious, ethnic minority or academic education for example), by leasing out fully surplus or half-empty state schools. But old foundations are still in existence. The wealthy continue to "found" in higher education. And different combinations of parents, local businessmen and trades councils, big companies, trade unions and church congregations might very well wish to be involved. For these founders would not be charities aiming to pay for education, but sponsors or guarantors of starting costs and long-term investment.

Both parents and education authorities would be customers of this revived sector. Authorities could impose whatever conditions of cost or curriculum or character of schooling they wished if they were to pay for education at the schools. Parents could choose, by whatever method, between different kinds of education within the different parameters that would be set by different democratic paying authorities.

The existence of surplus places for a transitional period, plus the option of leasing out schools, would greatly reduce the bureaucratic objection that full parent choice would leave popular schools crammed to overflowing while the unpopular were left to sink into a lingering death. The opportunity will not come again.

Changes on these lines are evidently much more difficult in the health service. Core hospitals in a national system must provide open-ended services quite different from those offered by private hospitals. There are, however, already elements of contracted out provision and consumer choice in the generally successful family doctor service. Enterprising GPs also played an important role in the cottage hospitals that have been closed, to public dismay, in resource re-allocation. Here at least is a basis for a new approach.

If health and education were successfully developed in this way, they would in the long run tend unavoidably to take a higher proportion of the national income financed through taxation. Public opinion has not yet come to terms with this. But it would be money spent more efficiently on what people want.

Solidarity without its swashbuckler

Warsaw

He was sprightly, impatient with committee work, handsome in the manner of communist heroes — the kind who announce on red, three-yard-high posters: "Forward into the future comrades" — his public words harder than his private, a Roman Catholic who would squeeze into a suit on Sundays. That is how I remember Zbigniew Bujak, the Warsaw Solidarity leader who was arrested at the weekend after almost five years on the run. Bujak, who in the winter of 1981 would stride in and out of the union headquarters in Mokotow Street, listening, talking and deciding on the next move in the days when nothing stood still.

On December 13 of that year, the night martial law was imposed, the riot police and secret agents arrested the Solidarity leaders; Bujak, taking advantage of the confusion, slipped away. My next glimpse of the man who had become Solidarity's effective leader was on a snippet of film smuggled to and broadcast in the West. He had put on weight, wore a comical lopsided wig the colour and cut of Diana Dors' hairstyle and confessed in the film that he changed apartments every night to avoid arrest. Messages to the other fugitive leaders were passed on edible paper: he demonstrated, chewing carefully the latest Solidarity communique.

Nothing illustrates better the transition of Solidarity from its legal, above ground existence to its outlawed form than the decline of the 31-year-old ex-paratrooper and factory worker who is Zbigniew Bujak. He now faces a long prison sentence; perhaps, depending on the charges, even death.

Has his arrest crippled the underground opposition to the Polish government? Can Solidarity survive as an illegal organization without the romantic figures who inspire the young to risk heavy jail sentences? Bujak, though not the first of Solidarity's leaders to be arrested, is the most important. The Polish authorities have declared for years that Solidarity is no longer a political force. They point to the poor response to Bujak's call for a general strike, for protests against food price rises and a boycott of parliamentary elections. Opinion poll figures gathered and presented by the government claim that only about 5 per cent of Poles oppose the system.

Even so Bujak was an embarrassment. How could the most wanted man in a communist state elude the police for so long? The answer is that he and others on the run were sustained by a catacomb society. His fake papers, his transport, money, shelter and medical treatment came from Solidarity sympathizers, those who do not register their views with official opinion pollsters.

For the government, the arrest of Bujak ends an awkward anomaly: it can at last declare the end of Solidarity. With a Communist Party congress at the end of June, the timing is good. It ends the suspicion, by General Jaruzelski's hardline critics, that the authorities are quietly tolerant of the opposition. For Solidarity, the arrest is a severe blow but not a fatal one. It is a harsh sentiment but Bujak was beginning to outlive his role in Solidarity. His value to dissidents was to adapt the methods of the legally registered union to the diffuse movement that was left after the imposition of martial law. From the start he urged Solidarity members to boycott rather than infiltrate state institutions, to create fund-raising networks in factories, to let demonstrations form naturally from church congregations.

The Pope's visit in 1983, the demoralizing effect of an economic crisis, police violence and the tightening of the penal code, even a degree of acceptance of the authorities and, quite simply, the passage of time put an end to Solidarity as a mass political organization. It is no longer capable of influencing government policy through street protest. Instead it has become an alternative information and publishing network on an enormous scale.

News bulletins, discussion papers, intellectual journals, novels, historical works flow off the clandestine presses and are widely read; every arrest, every sacking of a Solidarity supporter is chronicled somewhere. The point, reinforced by critical theatre performances, lectures and seminars, is to keep alive a set of values, an idealistic code that makes it easier for Poles to refuse to accept a reduction in holiday pay or to tolerate party privilege or favouritism. This is what remains of Solidarity, six years after its birth, and it is far more valuable — representing a permanent change in the nature of the communist system. This form of Solidarity does not need leaders, even swashbucklers like Bujak; it needs spokesmen — which it has in Lech Walesa and many others — and it needs, above all, stamina.

Roger Boyes

Dennis Chiles

When the church should speak

The church's involvement with current political issues has generated a sharply divisive debate. Controversial issues such as nuclear weapons, liberation theology and apartheid have polarized pundits and public opinion. We need clear principles to guide us.

Christians who recognize that the command to love our neighbour as we love ourselves must extend beyond personal conduct are also aware of two unresolved and related questions: (a) what are the effective limits of private and voluntary effort and (b) does being a Christian involve comment on political issues?

A realization that some problems are too vast to be tackled effectively except by public authorities leads us to ask whether there can be a distinctively Christian attitude in public affairs. This is not a matter of support for any political party. Since all parties are coalitions of a variety of interests, Christians can sincerely differ in their political allegiance. Rather it is a matter of taking a stand on certain issues which raise questions of morality, justice or human rights.

Many devout believers would argue that to suggest a link between private belief and public affairs is illegitimate. They point out, rightly, that Jesus showed considerable ingenuity in avoiding being trapped into taking a political stance, distinguishing clearly between the things that are Caesar's and those that are God's.

Others believe with equal fervour that Christian love for others necessarily entails concern for their just treatment and that Christians, as individuals and groups, and occasionally the Church itself, must press public authorities on moral and justice issues.

When this is done, as in the recent Church of England report on *Faith In The City*, the Church is liable to criticism on two fronts; some alleging that its recommendations are timid and ineffective, others seeing it as "Marxist theology", indicating that they understand neither.

Elsewhere, especially in Latin America, some proponents of "liberation theology" have openly embraced Marxism, seeing in it a set of analytical tools to enable them to understand the roots of the problems besetting their society. The Vatican has become so concerned about this trend that it has warned that uncritical borrowing from Marxism is incompatible with Christianity, since Marxist analysis and the totalitarian regimes to which it leads are inseparable.

More recently, the Vatican has set out the orthodox Christian understanding of such terms as "freedom" and "liberation." In doing so, it has drawn on a tradition of social thought and teaching developed by the Roman Catholic Church over the centuries.

In the sphere of politics the basic principle is that of justice which, in the Christian tradition, entails giving to every one what is his or hers by right. The rights referred to are human rights, formerly called natural rights since they arise from the nature of mankind as God's creation in his own image. These rights were set out in summary form by Pope John XXIII in his encyclical letter *Pacem In Terris*. They include the right to life and all that that entails, freedom of conscience and worship, the right to care for and to educate one's children, to take an active and informed part in public life, to work in good conditions, for just payment, and to own property.

For Christians, human society is no mere accident or convenience, nor merely a necessity. On the contrary, it is the natural means by which God intends us to live. Through life in community with others we become aware of our dependence on them and theirs upon us. Thus the Christian aspiration to brotherhood finds practical expression.

The purpose of government is to ensure conditions of life in society in which all men and women can develop themselves, both as individuals and as responsible citizens, in the way God intends. Fundamentally, this is a matter of respecting human rights and allowing people to fulfil their corresponding duties.

If, like the present Pope, we understand politics to be "prudent concern for the common good", then the necessity of a link between Christian faith and political concern becomes evident.

It is important to be clear that Christian social principles, such as those sketched briefly above, do not constitute an ideology. They do not provide ready-made and simple answers to complex problems, and neither do they endorse any political manifesto.

What Christian social thought does provide, again in the words of John Paul II, are "principles for reflection, norms for judgement, and guidelines for action." Significantly, those words were spoken at Puebla, Mexico, in 1979 at the opening of the third general conference of Latin American bishops to consider how Christians should respond to the problems of that continent.

As the Vatican has recently reaffirmed in its Instruction on *Christian Freedom and Liberation*, the Church should not directly involve itself in politics. Its mission is evangelization and salvation. But the Church must be concerned with the whole moral order and with the justice that should regulate human affairs. No area of life lies outside these boundaries.

Thus the Church is faithful to its mission when it opposes attempts to resolve social problems by means which ignore God, or which try to fight poverty and oppression according to theories or methods which are contrary to the Gospel.

Faced with the problems of the modern world, Christians can find principles to guide them. Moreover, they are to be found within the Christian tradition. There is no need to import any alien ideology.

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Today's convoy convolutions

We list some of the major traffic movements that may hold up your road journey between now and the end of the week, with brief descriptions of each.

Hippies' Convoy. A group of about 100 vehicles causing hold-ups in the Hampshire area. The occupants have opted out of our social system to give other people a better chance of getting a job; otherwise, they say, how could people like John Selwyn Gummer have risen to the top? Favourite vehicle: home-made cars, old hearses etc. Dress: informal.

M25 Convoy. A group of about 40,000 vehicles causing major hold-ups twice a day all round London. The occupants have mostly opted into the social system in order to spend their working lives putting additives into food, selling insurance that nobody needs and flogging time-share villas that nobody wants. They feel incredibly lucky that the hippies have had a worse press than them. Favourite vehicle: anything paid for by the company. Dress: Hanging up on a hanger in the back.

British Press Convoy. A group of about 50 vehicles driven singly at high speed round the country and reforming wherever they have been sent by their "editors". Their ruling belief is that if anyone famous has had a quiet life for more than a month, it's time to put the boot in. They are noisy, drunken, dirty, parasitical and an absolute nuisance to farmers, hippies and others. Favourite vehicle: expensive hire cars. Dress: dishevelled.

American Tourist Convoy. An informal group of 40 or more coaches which can turn up anywhere as far apart as Stratford-on-Avon, Bath Spa, or Stratford-on-Avon, travelling in convoy because of fears of the dollar exploding. At the first sign of trouble the coaches gather in a circle and everyone takes photographs of everyone else. Numbers are considerably down this year, so that Britons who used to complain about too many Americans now complain about too few. Favourite vehicle: armour-plated coach. Dress: light coats bought new an hour previously.

Cruise Missile Convoy. A group of x drivers travelling at high speed down x back roads in Xshire. The drivers, again mostly Americans, believe that driving round the countryside helps in some mysterious way to keep world peace, and that if they are not back by dawn they will all turn into peace women. Favourite vehicle: Xmobile. Dress: camouflage.

Richard Branson's Clean-Up Britain Convoy. A group of 100 fun vehicles slowly making their way round Britain, picking up the rubbish they dropped on a previous circuit. The idea came from Mrs Thatcher, who couldn't help noticing that Oxford Street was full of Virgin Record carrier bags, and that the English Channel was full of bits of exploded power boats, etc, and thought that Richard Branson ought to set an example to everyone else. Favourite vehicles: Dust carts, Boeing 747s. Dress: Wild.

Anti-Racist Convoy. A procession of 100 students following Tory MPs around the country in an effort to prevent them speaking. They are possibly the only people in Britain who take seriously what Tory MPs say. The Anti-Racist Convoy is not taken seriously by anyone, certainly not by those seriously involved in fighting racism. Favourite vehicle: car. Dress: boring.

M1 Police Convoy. Consists of one police car travelling at about 68 mph in the middle lane up or down the M1, causing immense traffic jams behind it. The thinking behind it is that it's one way of getting job satisfaction. Favourite vehicle: Rover with lurid stripes. Dress: dark blue lounge suit with funny cap.

Neil Kinnock's Bandwagon Effect. Not yet on road. It may occur any day. Or never. Who knows? Certainly not the politicians. Oh well, there's always the next by-election. May I depend on your vote on polling day? Thank you. Favourite vehicle: British. Dress: sort of lower middle class but not *too* aggressively proletarian, sort of like Roy Hattersley but smart.

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A HASTY CLAUSE

Have bad polls given the Government the vapours? How else to explain the extraordinary presentation of the Government's concerns in the House of Lords on Monday night when it introduced a hasty clause on sex education with scant concern for context or consequence.

A month ago the Education Bill 1986 was a welcome measure. It tipped, a little, the balance in the governance of schools towards the lay representatives. Among them it enhanced, a very little, the opportunity available to parents with children at a school to take part in discussions about school organization. The bill had a focus. Last week it became a Christmas tree breathlessly festooned with irrelevant bits and pieces.

Until now the Government has shied away from writing an agenda of what the Americans call "social issues", meaning junctures of public policy and personal belief such as abortion or the teaching of religion and morality in State-supported schools. But, within education, there have for years been advocates of changes in the 1944 Education Act and its short but specific injunctions to daily worship and religious education. The Act presupposes a Christian England and Wales which the figures for Church attendance long ago put in doubt. A dispassionate review of the Act might be an occasion for reflection on the schools' job in moral education.

Sir Keith Joseph in his well-intentioned but woolly way suggested that schools should take more seriously their role in the transmission of values he prizes and which, incidentally, may be conducive to the country's economic recovery. But Sir Keith, a scholar, believed those values would enlighten teachers immanently, particularly if they read certain great books.

The Lady Hooper, speaking it must be assumed for Sir Keith's successor, was more ambitious. By law, teachers are to extol "family life" in teaching their charges about the facts of life. A teacher who moved from the reproductive system of the school rabbit to human anatomy without at least a detour through holy matrimony would be guilty of an offence.

A problem arises because one of the facts of many people's lives is that of dissoluble marriage. The "traditional values" that once united the vast majority of citizens are now being challenged both theoretically and in the practice of everyday. So this amendment to the Education Bill is wrong, but not because its subject matter is trivial or extra-legal. Nor because parents are not deeply concerned with the content and the context of the sex education that may be offered their children. Some parents dislike the very idea of sex education. Where once there was a tacit consensus on subjects fit for schooling, and the moral context of their teaching, now there is wide disagreement.

Parliament is a legitimate forum for the consequent debate. A better place is the parent-teachers' meeting, the staff common room. The place, above all, for concern to be registered by parents about the content of lessons which touch on profound spiritual and personal belief is in their direct contact with teachers, notably in governors' meetings. Parental interest is the safeguard against immoral teaching.

The Education Bill is primarily about governors' and parents' powers. Let it stay that way. Before it invites MPs to join in legislative tinkering with classroom practice, the Government must produce the evidence it surely has from Her Majesty's Inspectors that sex and human reproduction are being widely taught in a slipshod or amoral way. Then let it consider whether legislative injunctions on the education authorities are the way forward.

A WAREHOUSE FIRE

It seems to be the general consensus of the police and fire authorities that the fire at the News International print warehouse in Deptford was a case of deliberate and well-planned arson. It destroyed plant, equipment and newsprint worth in total approximately £7 million. The victims of this crime were, as so often, innocent bystanders — in the form of News International's customers, mainly provincial newspapers whose newsprint was destroyed, and their insurance companies. It is only by good fortune that nobody was killed or injured in the blaze.

Such an event — involving a serious crime, major damage and risk to life — would be noteworthy in any circumstances. But the exceptional attention it has received in newspaper headlines and television news can be traced to the industrial dispute between News International and the printing unions. Such attention reflects the professional judgment of journalists and news organisations uninvolved in the dispute that, although no-one has been arrested or charged with arson, there is probably some connection between Wapping and the Deptford fire.

The two printing unions, SOGAT and the NGA, have firmly disavowed any such link. And unless evidence comes to light that plainly establishes such a link, they have every right to do so. But the lesser evidence required to justify a reasonable surmise that the arson was the work of people sympathetic to the cause of the print unions is not hard to find.

The demonstrations mounted by the unions outside Wapping have frequently degenerated into violent riots. If some of the most violent demonstrators were not union members, the unions must nonetheless take some responsibility since they have welcomed the support of outside sympathisers.

They have also published picketing newletters which contained the phone numbers and addresses of Wapping "scabs". That surely implies the threat of harrassment, if not worse. Worse has, of course, sometimes occurred with physical attacks on people coming into work, not to mention unremitting verbal abuse. And News International and companies dealing with it have had their premises attacked because of the dispute.

The burning of the Deptford warehouse fits all too neatly into this pattern of violence and anarchy which is the work of people, whether printworkers or political sympathisers, who proclaim their sympathy for the unions' cause and which the printing unions have not strenuously opposed.

It also serves to justify, if justification were needed, the famous barbed wire of the Wapping plant. When critics in the unions declare romantically that a good newspaper cannot be produced "in prison conditions", they should perhaps be reminded that in this case the guards and the barriers exist to keep the criminals out rather than in. What they would do if they were to gain entry in the absence of effective security has been demonstrated very plainly — first by the violent riots most Saturday nights at Wapping and now by the Deptford fire.

Nothing suggests, of course, that the unions were or would be involved in this crime. On the contrary, it was probably the last desperate throw of hard-line extremists, whether in the union or out of it, who strongly oppose the proposed settlement of the dispute, any ballot which might possibly ratify such a settlement, and any union leader who, by not resisting it to the limit, declares himself or herself a "traitor". The arsonists are the enemies of Miss Brenda Dean and the unions' ordinary members just as surely as they are of News International. But the unions' organisers do not always seem to be aware of the fact, nor of the perils of accepting help from any quarter.

FIRST THE CONSTITUTION

Two contradictory omens ushered in Mrs Corazon Aquino's first hundred days as President of the Philippines. The first represented a promise fulfilled: the opening meeting of the constitutional commission intended to restore the foundations of democracy. The second — a protest march by supporters of former President Marcos which was dispersed by tear gas and police truncheons — revealed the ever-present threat to Mrs Aquino's government.

The coincidence of these two events added pertinence to Mrs Aquino's call to the commission to complete its work within three months. For the longer the Philippines is without a constitution, the more vulnerable Mrs Aquino's leadership becomes: to accusations that the new government too needs the trappings of dictatorship, and to trepidation on the part of the military that civilian democracy is no solution to the Philippines' pressing difficulties.

Already, cracks have appeared in the coalition of anti-Marcos interests which brought Corazon Aquino to power. The new President has had to deny rumours of factionalism, and many of the — largely unrealistic — hopes of what material improvements the Aquino leadership could achieve have been disappointed. The rapid approval of a new Constitution, followed by new elections in seven months' time would be one way — perhaps the only way — for the leadership to regain something approaching the level of popular support it once enjoyed.

The constitutional commission itself has the potential to heal some of the growing rifts. It has been well chosen, with an appropriate weighting of lawyers and scholars, but it also accommodates supporters of the former President, and Roman Catholic as well as Muslim clergy. So broad a representation affords the hope that the majority in the Philippines that elected Mrs Aquino President will accept the new constitution and so leave extremes of opinion on the margin.

As the commission pursues its discussions, however, the leadership will need to steer clear of points of conflict that could defeat the constitutional objective. At home, these include Mrs Aquino's desire to bring about a ceasefire with the communist insurgents, a desire treated with some suspicion by the military on the grounds that it might involve unacceptable compromises.

Divisive too are questions of land reform, and the summary replacement of pro-Marcos local governors who believe that they — unlike the constitutional commission which was nominated — were democratically elected. These issues could well wait on the approval of a new constitution for a solution.

Abroad, the relationship between the Aquino government and the United States — whose long-drawn out support for President Marcos still arouses resentment among Mrs Aquino's followers — has not yet been resolved. Some of her supporters find it hard to reconcile the nationalist aspirations embodied in the "People's Power" of Mrs Aquino with the pledge she has given to the United States to keep the agreement on the US military bases and her promise not to default on foreign debt repayments.

The visit to Manila last month by the US Secretary of State, George Shultz, revealed elements of disagreement, and Mrs Aquino has been disappointed by the only moderate increase in US aid for her indebted country. Above all, however, she and her ministers appear to resent what they perceive as scepticism in the US administration about the permanence of the present government in the Philippines. What they may not appreciate is that the best way of dispelling this would be the expeditious drafting and approval of a new constitution.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Need for new treaty on extradition

From the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State, Home Office

Sir, No one would wish to quarrel with Senator Kerry's claim in his article (June 2) on the United Kingdom/United States Supplementary Extradition Treaty that he and his colleagues on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee have a special duty to weigh proposed agreements with other nations very carefully. But I suggest that he also has an equal duty to ensure that he has gathered all the relevant facts. Sadly his article shows a number of gaps and misconceptions.

No one — except terrorists and their apologists — should be satisfied with an extradition arrangement under which people accused of attempted murder, wounding and firearms offences have been able to avoid extradition by claiming the political offence exception. The existing safeguards in the present Extradition Treaty will remain. These include the rule that extradition will be allowed only in respect of conduct which is an offence in both countries.

Moreover, in respect of offences generally, the prohibition on extradition for political offences will also remain. The only substantial difference will be that people accused or convicted of serious offences of violence (the offences are listed for all to see) will no longer be able to claim that *those* offences are political, and thus avoid justice.

Senator Kerry rightly says that the political offence exception has a long history. But the fact is that the problems we are facing today are very different from those faced by nineteenth century legislators. The Supplementary Treaty does not undermine either government's tradition of offering protection to the genuine political refugee.

What the Supplementary Treaty does, is to make it clear that neither government accepts that there is a place for murder, kidnapping or bombing in our political life. People are entitled to hold whatever political opinions they like, but it is not acceptable that those opinions should be expressed by violence.

United States citizens around the world have themselves been victims of such violence. The Supplementary Treaty will mean that neither the United States nor the United Kingdom will be a haven for those who murder and maim in their ambition to force their own political views on others.

Yours faithfully,
DAVID MELLOR,
Home Office,
Queen Anne's Gate, SW1.
June 3.

University ratings

From Professor R.D.Keynes,FRS, and Professor I.M.Glynn, FRS

Sir, Up and down the country, academics will have been irritated by what they feel to be incorrect assessments, by the UGC, of their departments' distinction in research.

It may comfort them to know that the Cambridge Physiological Laboratory, which has eight FRSs on its staff (as well as two retired Nobel prizewinners still continuing their research), and which has been responsible for a number of major advances in physiology, including the work of R. G. Edwards that led to test-tube babies, has been classified by the UGC as above average but not of star quality.

Who assesses the assessors?

Yours faithfully,
R. D. KEYNES,
I. M. GLYNN,
Physiological Laboratory,
Downing Street, Cambridge.

From Professor D. M. Ramsay

Sir, You recently directed attention (report, May 29) to the UGC's review of the quality of research. Some of your readers may not appreciate the reality behind this assessment.

This is a small department of seven lecturing staff. Nevertheless, over the last five years, with one member leaving to take up a Chair elsewhere, we have produced over 100 scientific publications (all subjected to peer review) and have attracted over £500,000 in outside support.

Two of our staff serve as editors for international journals, while all of us review articles for other journals. We have all functioned as referees for the Natural Environmental Research Council and similar bodies on the quality and viability of research proposals from other establishments. On the strength of their expertise, staff members serve on five international and three national committees on geology. We have had considerable success in industrial consultancy.

In five years we have produced 24 PhD and MSc graduates, in addition to our honours graduates, who compare favourably in quality with those produced anywhere else (by the objective judgement of those with whom they are placed). Most are employed.

Your readers may be surprised to learn that this performance is regarded as *below average* by the UGC. Those who have produced this "objective" assessment should say what more they expect from any group of academics and to justify their assertion that others are so significantly "better".

Yours faithfully,
D. M. RAMSAY,
University of Dundee,
Head of Department of Geology,
Dundee.
May 29.

Endangered species

From the Secretary of the Zoological Society of London

Sir, Reducing the market for rhino horn in Asia (report, May 20) is an important step in the attempt to save the species, and the efforts of the World Wildlife Fund and its Save the Rhino campaign are to be commended.

Other no less important aspects are the setting aside for wildlife of sufficient land to sustain viable rhinoceros populations and the need to provide adequate numbers of trained guards to protect the remaining animals from poachers.

In addition, a vital component necessary for long-term success must be greater understanding of the ecology, reproduction and genetics of the rhino in order to manage the surviving animals to best advantage in the restricted habitats that remain. We are still largely ignorant of the limiting factors in these fields of biology as they apply to rhinos.

It is possible that the powerful new techniques in reproductive medicine, including embryo transfer and artificial insemination, may be helpful in promoting the recovery of rhino numbers.

These more fundamental studies, and their practical applications to wild life conservation, are being developed at the Institute of Zoology of the Zoological Society of London. Funding for such work is still inadequate, although an important lead is now being given by the research councils and the Department of the Environment.

Of the many endangered species, the predicament of the rhinoceros and the giant panda are perhaps most widely appreciated. Less well known is that of the 4,000 species of mammals we have detailed physiological and ecological knowledge about, probably fewer than 50. We know even less about birds and reptiles.

The result is that many species are becoming extinct before we even know how to help and before we can appreciate and describe their importance in the environment and to man.

Such losses may threaten the balance of whole ecosystems and prove to be costly and unnecessary mistakes. Time is not on our side and additional funding from national and international sources is urgently required if it is not to be too little and too late.

Yours faithfully,
R. M. LAWS, Secretary,
Zoological Society of London,
Regent's Park, NW1.
May 28.

Psychiatric centre

From Dr I. G. Thomson

Sir, I read with interest and concern the letter from Professor Edwards and others (May 27).

A few decades ago, psychiatric hospitals provided asylum or care and little treatment. Psychiatry is today the most cost-effective of the major medical specialities in that in recent years dramatic reductions in length of stay, etc, have been achieved. This change from care to treatment has been largely brought about by the discoveries in centres of excellence like the Bethlem/Maudsley.

When staff pay rises are not fully funded by the Government, it particularly hits well-staffed centres of excellence and they therefore have a special case to make.

We on the periphery do not have as much money as we would like, but the average British psychiatric service does not have the time and the expertise to fund and study and evaluate new methods of treatment. The Bethlem/Maudsley has and must continue so to do, not for its own needs, but for our needs.

I would see it in the interests of my patients, were my budget cut by the very small amount that would be needed, to contribute my share to the £400,000 deficit at the Bethlem/Maudsley.

Yours sincerely,
IAN THOMSON,
Whitecroft Hospital,
Sandy Lane,
Newport,
Isle of Wight.
May 28.

Congested M25

From Mr Robert Mitchell

Sir, Sir Colin Buchanan (May 26) is unjust in blaming the overcrowding on the M25 on the GLC's rejection of the Layfield inquiry road plan. The Conservative GLC administration, elected in 1967, of which I was a member, transformed the embryonic Abercrombie and Layfield proposals into the detailed ringway plan — the "motorway box" of the newspaper headlines of those days.

The Labour opposition rejected the plan and the 1973 GLC election was, unusually, fought with a local issue — homes vs roads — predominating over national swings. The voters of London elected Labour by 58 seats to 32 and the road plan was cancelled. This clearly reflected the voice of London. For better or worse, that is democracy.

In fact, neither party could have implemented the plan, for the Government immediately clamped down on local government spending. So who really was responsible?

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT MITCHELL,
Hatchwood House,
Nursery Road,
Loughton,
Essex.
May 28.

Questions for a young lawyer

From Sir Frederick Lawton

Sir, Having been for nine years, until March last, Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Legal Education, I welcomed your leading article "Brokers in law" (May 30). Any committee considering the future of legal education and training should concern themselves with what is best for the administration of justice and ask themselves these questions.

First, should our future lawyers, with a few exceptions, have to decide, as they now do, in their second or third year at a university or polytechnic whether they want to become barristers or solicitors? A wrong decision at this stage can be put right later, but at the cost of much time and money.

Secondly, should the Inns of Court go on calling to the Bar each year about 900 barristers when the practising profession can only absorb about 300? Many of those who are not absorbed are likely to feel frustrated and that they have wasted years of training and thousands of pounds of either their parents' or local education authorities' money.

Thirdly, if the Bar is to be open to all, how are young barristers, without family money behind them, going to support themselves reasonably adequately in their early years in practice? Those who do get a seat in chambers are likely to be much better able to earn fees than my generation was before 1939.

There are, however, problems — low fees, for instance, long delayed in payment — andfor those starting practice in highly remunerative specialities, like commercial and patent work, there must inevitably be a long learning time before briefs arrive. The Law Society about 20 years ago solved a similar problem besetting articled clerks by requiring their members to pay them reasonable salaries.

I doubt whether the allure of a salary whilst training has enticed as many young lawyers away from the Bar as the Bar Council seems to think; but it must have helped some to make up their minds. The Inns of Court are aware of this problem and have tried to solve it; but the solutions have been piecemeal, sometimes inadequate and often tied over closely to academic performance.

After over 30 years in the legal profession I am convinced that the efficient administration of justice requires a body of highly skilled advocates. Those responsible for legal education and training have the duty to identify those students who have the potential for becoming skilled advocates and to organize the legal profession so as to give them opportunities for developing such talents as they have.

As with the priesthood, there is much to be said for putting the yoke on them when young, but not when too young.

Yours sincerely,
FREDERICK LAWTON,
Mordryg,
Stoptide,
Rock,
Near Wadebridge, Cornwall.
May 30.

In the long run

From Professor J. H. Burns

Sir, Mr Phillip Oppenheim suggests (May 30) that the Sport Aid events "may ease a few consciences". For myself, as I made my sexagenarian way round the ten-kilometre course last Sunday, I had supposed that we were there not to ease consciences but to stir them.

That we were there in such numbers, supported by so many more, would seem to indicate that a good many consciences had indeed been or were being stirred to try, in however limited a way, to do something about Africa's problems. Perhaps many of our consciences were and are, in the theologians' phrase, insufficiently informed; but then the consciences we hoped we might stir were above all those of people with both the information and the power to act more effectively than any of us could do.

Perhaps those who ran and those who sponsored the runners can take some small comfort from the fact that Mr Oppenheim is prepared to allow that what we did "will undoubtedly save some lives in the short term". None of us, after all, has more than a fairly short term to look forward to; but it is a good deal shorter for many in Africa (and elsewhere) than for most of us in the industrial world.

Yours faithfully,
J. H. BURNS,
39 Amherst Road,
Ealing, W13.
May 31.

Alternative energy

From the Rev M. Sims-Williams

Sir, I looked forward to your article (May 27) on power from the tides but once again I found no mention of harnessing the *lifting* power of the tide which is immense.

Pearce Wright says that "tidal power . . . cannot be built up in small increments — as for example a "wind farm" — might be developed." But why not? All round our coast there are creeks where the tide could lift anything from a concrete barge to a hulk of 10,000 tons providing gravitational energy for conversion to electricity.

Yours sincerely,
MICHAEL SIMS-WILLIAMS,
Broumfield,
Borden,
Sittingbourne, Kent.
May 27.

ON THIS DAY

JUNE 4 1896

The Prince of Wales's (later Edward VII) passion for the turf began about 1886 but it was 10 years before he had any great success. Persimmon went on to win the St Leger in 1896 and, as a four-year-old, the Gold Cup and the Eclipse Stakes. In 1900 Persimmon's brother Diamond Jubilee won the "Triple Crown" for the Prince who, in 1909, then King, achieved his third Derby with Minoru. The only previous Derby wins by the Royal family had been those of the Prince of Wales in 1788 and the Duke of York in 1816 and 1822.

THE RACE FOR THE DERBY

The Derby of 1896 will long be remembered for the victory of the Prince of Wales. A race which seemed likely a few weeks ago to have a very tame termination and, bereft of the presence of Persimmon and Regret, to be at the mercy of St. Frusquin, has illustrated the truth of the adage as to its being only the unexpected that happens; for if the hard round left Regret in his stable, Persimmon did so well in his work and gave such satisfaction when tried, that he came to Epsom enjoying the full confidence of all connected with him, while, as all the world already knows, he proved victorious over St. Frusquin after one of those great finishes which long dwell in the memory of those who witness them.

The knowledge that St. Frusquin would be opposed by Persimmon, coupled with the possibility of the latter's bearing the Royal colours to the front, will account for the interest in the race increasing very much during the last 10 or 12 days, and there can be no doubt that the attendance at Epsom yesterday was exceptionally large. The prospects of a fine day also attracted many who are not much engrossed in racing, but who enjoy a day in the open . . .

. . .It is always a pleasant place at Epsom, and on the Derby day there is the certainty of meeting many people whose visits to a racecourse are very rare. The time, therefore, passes quickly enough, even when there are not many horses to criticize, as was the case yesterday when, of the 11 runners, two, Persimmon and Earwig, were sent direct to the starting post, while of the nine others no one could possibly want to look a second time at such sorry specimens of the racehorse as Bay, Ronald, Tamarind, Toussaint, and Spook . . .

The horses were somewhat late in getting to the post, after a preliminary canter in which Persimmon, Bradwardine and Earwig did not take part, nothing moving with more freedom and smoothness than Teufel, whereas St. Frusquin was fighting for his head. Some little delay at the post was caused by the fractiousness of Earwig and one or two others, the flag not falling till nearly half past 3. It was a grand race, for when St. Frusquin, whose supposed inability to come down hill was not apparent at Tattenham Corner, and Persimmon singled themselves out below the distance, the issue hung in the balance until the end . . . The scene which followed was a most remarkable one. The personal popularity of the Prince of Wales is so great that everyone was prepared to witness a great display of loyalty after the race in the event of his colours being victorious. But the enthusiasm of the vast multitude, which found vent in a hurricane of cheering prolonged for something like a quarter of an hour, could not but touch and move the Prince and his family, for it was so manifestly spontaneous, and came as a respectful but hearty greeting to the Heir to the Throne from his future people . . .

While the Prince stood waiting for Persimmon to come back the cheering was continued with ever-growing intensity, and when Persimmon appeared in sight, escorted by his trainer, the Prince came forward and, taking his horse by the bridle, led him into the weighing paddock amid the enthusiasm of the onlookers. Old and young, high and low, rich and poor, winners and losers vied with one another in exhuberance of delight, and it is due to the sportsmanlike spirit which animates the great majority of Englishmen to add that the enthusiasm would have been nothing like so great had there been no close stuggle for superiority. It was the neck-and-neck battle between the two sons of St.Simon, whose fame has attained a still higher pinnacle, that first worked the spectators up to fever heat, and, when the Prince's colt came the victor out of the combat, the pent-up enthusiasm found free vent. The Prince of Wales, after the jockey had passed the scale, cordially congratulated both his jockey and trainer, and it was some time before the ovation was over and the crowd of enthusiastic spectators grouped on the course could be induced to disperse . . .

Answering back

From Air Commodore C. D. North-Lewis

Sir, My experience shows, unlike Mrs Hewitt's (May 21), that my son's and daughter's friends (the 25 to 35-year-olds) not only are most punctilious with their thank-you letters but always bring a present as well when they come to stay. Moreover, when my wife died recently their letters of condolence were by far and away the most memorable.

Yours faithfully,
C. NORTH-LEWIS,
Field House,
South Harting,
Petersfield, Hampshire.

From Mr A. J. Hill,

Sir, Please thank Mrs Claire Hewitt for her letter.

Sincerely,
A. J. HILL,
12 Honeybrook Close,
Wolverley,
Kidderminster, Worcestershire.

Three centuries of shopping in fine style

Almost from its beginnings Bond Street has had a special character of its own: catering for the moneyed, of course, but doing so with an eye to taste, fashion and aesthetic sense which has enabled it to survive as an entity through three centuries of change in London.

This year it is celebrating the 300th anniversary of its foundation — in the fervour of new building which followed the Restoration — and has been marking the event with a pageant to be followed by a masked ball, a children's street party, and a good deal else.

Yet if there are names that have been solidly established for years — Agnew's, Asprey's, Benson & Hedges, Sotheby's — a walk up the street soon shows the changes that have been taking place in the last few years.

It is not so much the surprising presence of a pawnbroker, M.B. Clough, who talks cheerfully of a revival of his business — his clients ranging from middle-class families needing money for school fees to gamblers from Park Lane who have just taken a knock.

It is more that in the world of fashion, in particular, but not only there, Bond Street has become more international and less individualistic. Whereas for many years Adèle Davis has sold clothes to the Royal Family and many others from the single shop she has run since 1944, she is now being challenged by designer shops such as Giorgio Armani and Emanuel Ungaro with their international connections.

In the world of jewellery Tiffany's of New York is about to set itself up alongside Asprey's, Cartier's and such long-established firms as Tessier's and Bentley's.

Distinctiveness is something that, for sound commercial reasons as well as sentiment, both traditional firms and more recent arrivals want to preserve. Martin Evans of Bentley's talks of service and courtesy, and of the importance of having a commissionaire outside — "You need someone to call a taxi or put up an umbrella."

Peter Bertelsen, the dynamic head of Aguecheek, which owns the Giorgio Armani and Emanuel Ungaro shops as well as the Valentino and Basile ones, speaks firmly of the need to prevent Bond Street becoming a mere extension of Oxford Street, with its mass marketing, to the north. This was happening, he believes, a few years ago, but since Aguecheek and others moved in the trend has been reversed.

At any rate the trend towards a more international character is established. Up until the Second World War Bond Street had a local character, with many of its customers actually living in Mayfair. Now many of them are foreign, mainly American and Arab. The airlines have moved in, and the financial consultants and the public relations agencies.

But the art galleries and the auction houses are still there, and the many long-established firms, and the hope is that Bond Street can retain its distinctiveness, not only by comparison with elsewhere in London, but with such similar streets abroad as the Rue du Faubourg St Honoré in Paris, the Via dei Condotti in Rome, or Fifth Avenue in New York.

The street is built on what was, until the middle of the 17th century, open fields used for pasture. After the Restoration of Charles II in 1660 large new tracts of land were bought up for residential building, and in 1664 Lord Clarendon, the powerful Lord Chancellor, acquired several acres to the north of what is now Piccadilly, but was then known as Portugal Street in honour of Catherine of Braganza.

On an area corresponding to the present Old Bond Street, Albemarle Street, Dover Street and Stafford Street he built a large house, Clarendon House, which faced St James's Palace down the hill. Unfortunately for him, however, Clarendon fell from power within a short time of the house being completed, and after a brief period in the ownership of the Duke of Albemarle, it was sold for demolition in 1683.

The new owners were a syndicate of "mechanics" (or builders) and bankers headed by John Hinde. It was they who planned the present layout of the four streets as a rectangular area, and Bond Street is named after one of their principal associates, Sir Thomas Bond, who bought building leases and, probably, freeholds from them.

Little is known of Bond, but he was evidently a man of means and an influential figure behind the scenes at Court, having been at one time Controller of the Household of the Queen Mother, Henrietta Maria.

The project as a whole soon ran into difficulties, and Hinde ended his life in the Fleet Prison as a debtor. Lawsuits proliferated over the ownership of the various tracts of land. It was some years before many of the houses planned for the area, known as the Albemarle Ground, were completed.

By the beginning of the 18th century, however, Bond Street was coming to life. In 1708 it was already being described as "a fine new street, mostly inhabited by nobility and gentry". In 1721 New Bond Street, which already reached Clifford Street, was extended across the fields to Oxford Street.

The area as a whole was mixed. Much of the surrounding countryside was used for waste disposal, there were cutthroats around, and the gallows still stood at Tyburn, near the present-day Marble Arch, until 1783.

The residents of Bond Street succeeded in creating splendour out of squalor

Among the writers who at one time or another lived in Bond Street were James Thomson, the Scottish poet who composed "Rule Britannia", Jonathan Swift (though only for three weeks), Edward Gibbon and Laurence Sterne, who died there. The Earl of Chatham lived there for a time in 1766.

James Boswell moved there in 1769 at a time when he was campaigning in favour of General Pasquale de Paoli, the Corsican patriot, himself living in Bond Street. Boswell brought Samuel Johnson to meet Paoli, and shortly afterwards gave a dinner, faithfully and livelily recorded in his *Life of Samuel Johnson*, which included Johnson, Sir Joshua Reynolds, David Garrick and Oliver Goldsmith among the guests.

Sir Thomas Lawrence, the portrait painter, lived in Bond Street for three years; and in 1797 Nelson spent several months there recovering from the effects of losing his arm off Teneriffe — as did Lady Hamilton after his death. By then it had become a centre of fashion, in which ladies liked to parade their latest finery; and they were matched by the men in their wigs and embroidered coats and waistcoats.

At the time of the Regency Bond Street became prime territory for the dandy, Beau Brummell, who had his clothes made by a tailor there.

But at the same time the street became known for its circulating libraries and booksellers, and it continued to have more than sartorial interest. Shelley spent a few months there in 1814, at a time when his first marriage, to Harriet Westbrook, was in trouble; and Byron and Sir Walter Scott, who had struck up a friendship, had a last, cheerful meeting at Long's Hotel in 1815.

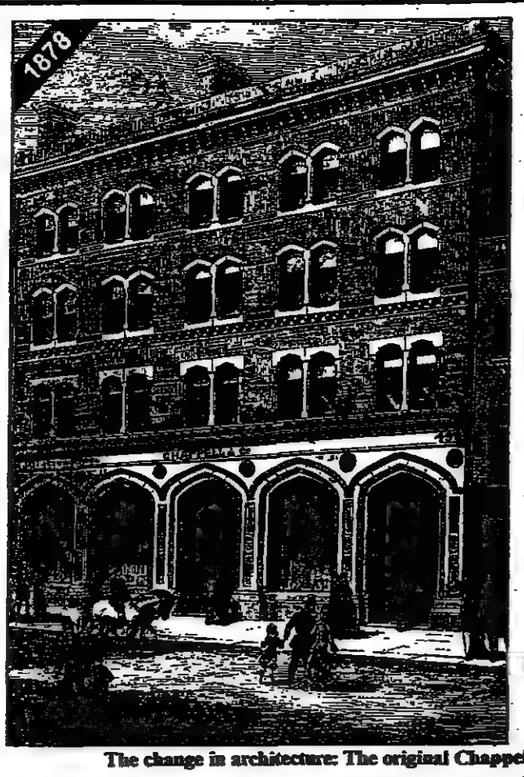
Byron was something of an habitué of Bond Street, as a member of the Pugilistic Club run by Gentleman Jackson, one-time champion boxer of England, and often went to parties there.

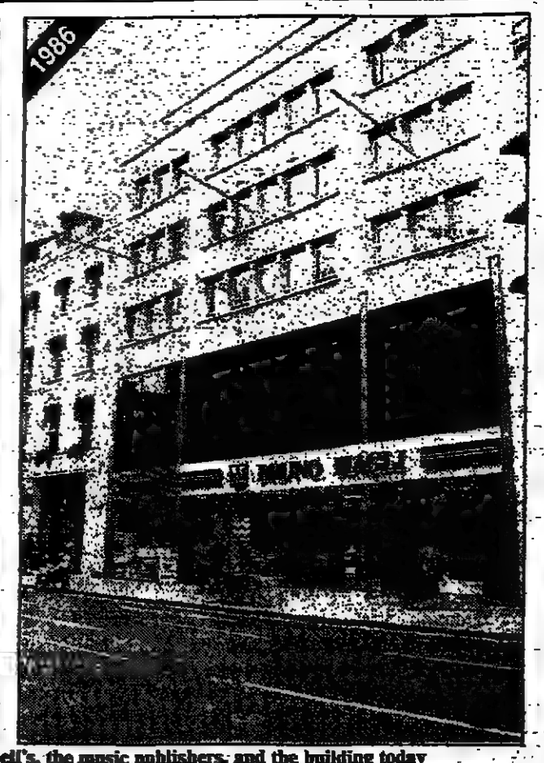
It was in Victorian times that many of the landmarks of present-day Bond Street became established — Asprey's and Tessier's, Agnew's and the Fine Art Society. Chappell, the music firm, had been founded even earlier, in 1811, and set itself up in its present premises in 1830. The Royal Arcade was created in 1879, and named in honour of Queen Victoria, who patronized its shops.

In those days the street was still an area in which the poor rubbed shoulders with the rich, and in which butchers and fishmongers could be found alongside milliners and jewellers.

In recent times Bond Street has become more socially homogeneous; and has seen the closing down of some famous firms from the past. It has become less residential. But it has retained the cachet it has acquired over the past 300 years, and in spite of the changes has the will to retain it even longer.

Peter Strafford





The change in architecture: The original Chappell's, the music publishers, and the building today

Gentry's locks and ritzy chocs

The rest of Bond Street is a miscellany of the discreet and the vulgar. Definitely of the former category comes Truefitt and Hill, the long-standing gentleman's barber shop. A Sixties period piece in mirrors and formica, it lists the Duke of Edinburgh and Lord Olivier among its clients (who are mostly English, with some Americans).

Discreet through professional necessity (but not thought so until 15 years ago by The Times, which refused to run their advertisements) is the Heather Jenning Marriage Bureau, based in Bond Street since 1939. Humble to the point of slumminess, the bureau is run by sympathetic ladies who prefer old fashioned interviewing techniques rather than new-fangled videos in seeking the right partners. Shops like Smythsons (stationers to the Queen) exist for those with both the money and time to make use of leather bound notebooks for such purposes as Wine Notes, Menus and Guests, Birthday Notes and address books for the blondes, brunettes and redheads of their acquaintance. Charbonnel and Walker, in the Royal Arcade, sell expensive chocolates (starting from £2 a quarter up to £400). Close by, is a cluster of carpet shops whose advertising techniques are distinctly on the vulgar end of the scale. "75% off!" proclaims the giant, white letters scrawled on the window of Mayfair Carpets. The Bond Street Association has complained to both the owners about the way they have been lowering the tone, as well as the Advertising Standards office when that failed.

Shops that have adopted a progressive image is keeping with the technology they sell include the photographers, Wallace Heaton (incidentally a branch of the Dixons group). By appointment to the Prince of Wales, and, until recently, privy to Sarah Ferguson's holiday snaps, Heaton's has not been refitted, and although their Bang and Olufsons may have benefited from the resulting supermarket, the classic Bond Street look has not.

Meanwhile, opposite, Chappells the music shop is planning to start modernising in two months. "We are a little bit stately at the moment" says John McLean, the manager, "But when we finish we will be streamlined; the pianos on parquet and the electronic key-boards on black and white tiles, with sound-proofed studios".

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A wonderland of designers

Although visually more dominant than art and antiques, the fashion world in Bond Street is more fugitive than the rest, shops coming and going with the seasons. Due to the notable absence of the Americans, Arabs and Nigerians, and the fact that few British people can afford to buy, many shops admit to feeling the pinch.

Apart from Fenwicks, the only department store on the street, fashion tends to appear in the smaller premises that in the old days were pet shops and chemists. For someone new to the street, first impressions might be of a boutique wonderland brought to you in person by a host of glamorous names: Kurt Geiger, Roland Cartier, Valentino, Gucci.

But, if not dead or fictional (Roland Cartier was thought up by the British Shoe Corporation Footwear Ltd) all designers are notable by their absence on Bond Street. Most are part of chains run by entrepreneurs. The great Bond Street deception continues right back to the landlords, who instead of leisured aristocrats, usually turn out to be faceless bureaucracies like the Prudential Assurance pension fund, which owns 41 buildings.

Entrepreneurs include Mr and Mrs Jonathan Faulkner, who own Cacherel, Henry and Vuitton. Over the last year Peter Bertelsen has become the most powerful. A Danish oil magnate, he started tapping the fashion market by buying up part of the Lauren Shop. Next came Valentino, then another Velentino for good measure. Now, Basile, Ungaro and Giorgio Armani have joined his stable, and to buy Bertelsen can mean to buy a wide variety of styles, from discreet and classic at Ungaro (where this season's colours are black and white, outfits often combining checks with flowery pattern) to swanky outrageous at Basile (a braver mix of bright bolero tops and skirts).

One result of this chain phenomenon is that the shopper is not as free when he makes his choice as he thinks. Salesmen at Watches of Switzerland, for example, do not grind their teeth when potential customers wander next door to Patek Philippe, Piaget, Rolex or Tyme as they are all specialist showrooms of the same firm. Another shoe chain, Kurt Geiger, owns Bruno Magli.

Likewise in the case of the Cecil Gee empire. Not a designer, but an owner, Gee has three shops in Bond Street named after him, selling European-designed men's clothes (in particular the German Boss label) popular with Indians and Arabs. He stocks a higher priced suit (up to £700) in his shop close to Piccadilly, compared to that on the Oxford Street end (up to £500).

European designed suits for £700

Meanwhile the street itself has a certain prestige pattern, literally reflecting its one way traffic system, which leads towards Piccadilly, namely in general getting more and more up-market the closer to Piccadilly, and the further from Oxford Street. Up at the down-market end has just appeared Next, which like Berkertex is doing a roaring trade from customers drifting in from both worlds.

Fashion takes on an almost institutional solidity down at the Old Bond Street end, where from monolithic buildings Gucci, Chanel and Yardley are based. "60 percent of our trade is foreign, but we are so international, we don't need to rely on Americans" says Mr Collinson, a manager of Gucci, adding that he has just sold a set of three crocodile suit cases to an Arab customer for £19,000.

Having arrived in Bond street five years ago, Chanel just opened its clothes boutique in March, and last week was humming to the sound of Japanese ladies buying up chain-handled handbags at £300 each. No-one was trying on the suits, which start at £800. Meanwhile trade was quiet at Yardley, a shop for sweet-scented lotions and soaps as well as a beauty parlour. "It is the only salon in Bond Street" says Susan Albury, "There used to be more, like Elizabeth Arden, but they disappeared when rents became more expensive." Being Yardley's head London office, and owned by the firm, they can afford this indulgence.

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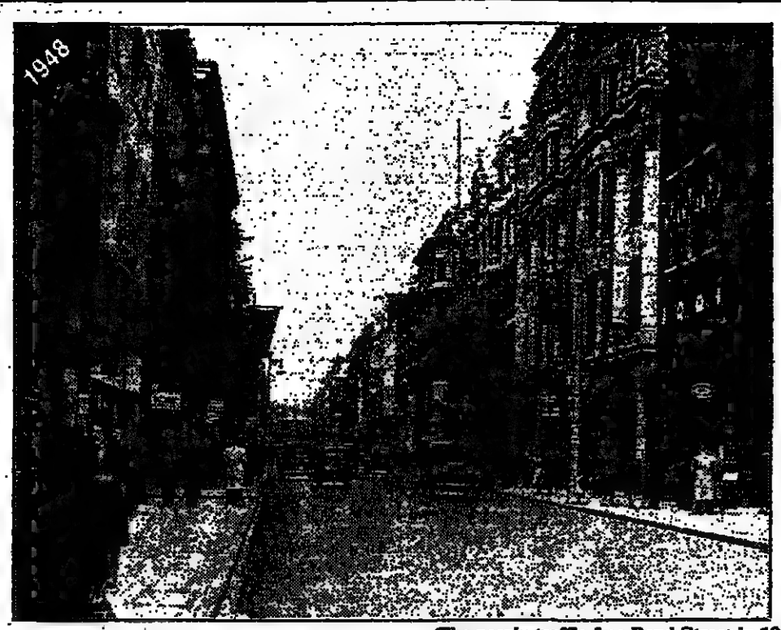

The nearly traffic-free Bond Street in 1948, and right, the same stretch of street today.

Through the world of art

Bond Street is equally deceptive in respect of baubles that are hung on walls, as opposed to people. The newcomer unaccustomed to measuring English arrogance on a scale of diffidence, might well walk past Sotheby's, the most powerful auction house in the world, without even noticing it. But behind its modest facade (punctuated by "The Kiosk" — a cigarette and sweet stall) is an empire ever expanding into the block and across the road.

Inside, all manner of antiques are catalogued and sold. However, the place is owned by Alfred Taubman, the American magnate, and has advanced into less gentlemanly big marketing. As they prepare to host the Bond Street celebration ball on Thursday, Sotheby's is also waiting for Westminster Council to slap on new regulations designed to protect the consumer.

Less in evidence are a number of powerful dealers based in Bond Street. John Baskett operates from a secret hidey hole at the top of a tatty staircase, selling Old Master drawings to East Coast Americans. Downstairs are the Mould brothers, Anthony and Phillip, who although in their twenties are gaining a reputation for making "finds" in the field of 18th century painting.

Down at the Piccadilly end of Bond Street, a number of big established dealers conduct the opposite policy, by presenting themselves as enlightened humanists, running seriously researched exhibitions. Agnews, for example, opens a show of 18th century French painting this week, while Colnaghi have one on sporting paintings. The gallery that comes closest to a publicly-run institution is the Fine Art Society, which runs both selling and non-selling exhibitions.

Partridge Fine Art has one of the most spectacular interiors on Bond Street. Its main selling area displays huge 19th century Blackamoor jardinieres at £120,000 a piece.

At the hugger-mugger end of the scale comes the Bond Street Antiques Centre: 44 stalls selling small items from silver and ceramics to jewellery.

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Baubles, bangles and beads a-plenty

By naming his hero "Bond ... James Bond", Ian Fleming neatly evoked both the man and the street: wealthy, suave, sexy and powerful, not to mention proud and independent. Today, Bond Street retains its reputation as the world centre for the Old Master trade and jewellery. But its character has become confused.

Shops tend to cluster in groups according to their trade, as a general rule becoming more up-market the further south they go. But running costs have become so high (even a double upstairs room can cost £30,000 a year), that many shops have been absorbed into big agglomerates, thus making a nonsense of Bond Street's supposed uniqueness. Another problem about big money is that British people do not, as a whole, have it, and in a year when both Americans and Arabs are conspicuous by their absence, this can mean problems for Bond Street.

Take the jewellery trade, clustered in one section where Old Bond Street meets New. Cartier, here since 1909, has traditionally been synonymous with exclusivity. Today, the prices for their jewellery are still high (necklaces ranging from £3,500 to £80,000), but their selling techniques have changed. "Before, we supplied the aristocracy and gentry, working relaxed, almost banking hours. Now, we have literally opened our doors and windows, with an advertising campaign for the whole of the UK," says Mr Davidson, the sales director. As a result, he says, they have doubled their turnover in the last two years and are budgeting for $15 million.

Meanwhile, across the road at Hennells, business during their 250th year is just as surprising. They have taken to cultivating sources far removed from their old staple — the English aristocracy.

"By 1980, we realised our traditional clients couldn't support us any more," says Christopher Goodyear of the firm. "In the old days we did jewellery-catering for the Coronation, but now Americans are our main customers."

Goodyear's main customers are middle-aged women who often buy in bulk. "They treat you like a gigolo" he says, "But if they're spending half-a-million pounds, they know they've got you for a whole week".

Close by, Aspreys looks from the outside the most imposing in the street: six adjacent shop fronts, their windows bursting with treasures. Traditionally, it sells a wide variety of luxury goods, from suitcases and bone hairbrushes to £1 million necklaces. However, judging from the giant, custom-made, gem-encrusted eagles they are selling at $85,000, Asprey's has succumbed to taste nouveau.

The most intriguing window on the street is that of Sac Freres, the only amber shop in the world. Rendered invisible to glitter-seeking buyers on account of its drabness, its sparse display of dangling necklaces attracts a loyal clientele including doctors and lawyers, as well as the occasional author (Iris Murdoch prefers to select by touch, and so does not mind the lugubrious atmosphere). Guarded by Wolfgang John Hunger, third generation of an Alsace family, whose fierceness goes once genuine interest is shown, the shop is revealed as a treasure trove.

Finally, unbeknown to most shoppers, the building currently swathed in scaffolding in the jewellers section is due to emerge as the first London branch of Tiffany's in September. Being an American firm, it will no doubt confuse the street's character even more, but certainly add to its glamour.

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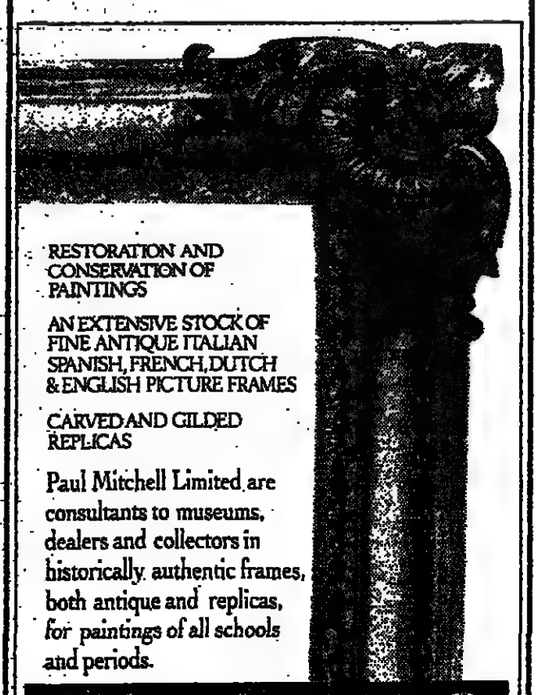

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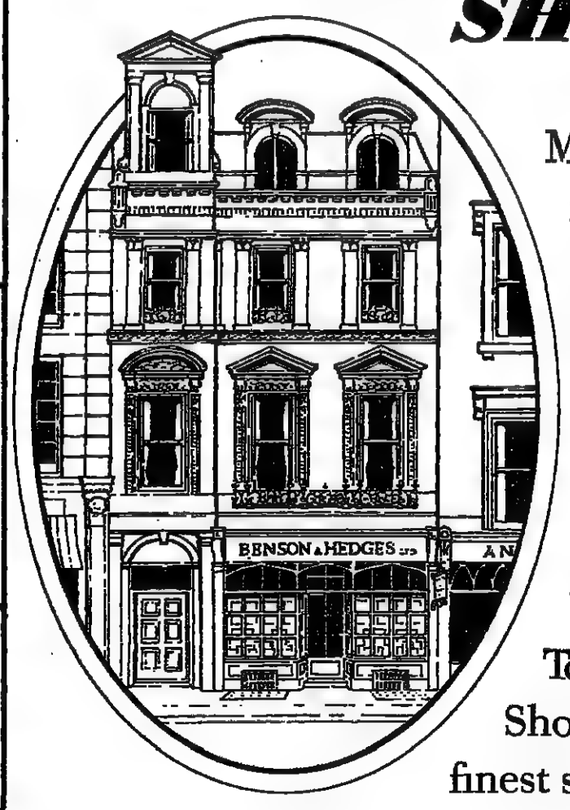

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE

June 3: The Queen, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, this evening took the Salute at a Beating Retreat by the Bands of the Household Division for The Prince Philip Appeal for Commonwealth Veterans on the Horse Guards Parade, and afterwards attended a Reception.

The Duchess of Grafton, the Right Hon Sir William Heseltine and Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson were in attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Master of Trinity House, today attended the Annual Court at Trinity House followed by a Church Service at St Olave's.

Afterwards His Royal Highness attended luncheon with the Elder Brethren at Trinity House.

Squadron Leader Timothy Finneron was in attendance.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Colonel-in-Chief, The Royal Scots (The Royal Regiment) this morning visited the Combined Cadet Force, affiliated to The Royal Scots, at George Heriot's School, Lauriston Place, Edinburgh.

Her Royal Highness was received by the Chairman of the Governors (Dr James Ross) and the Headmaster (Mr Keith Pearson).

Afterwards, The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips toured the School and was entertained at luncheon in the Common Room.

Her Royal Highness, Visitor, this afternoon visited Strathcarron Hospice, Denny, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Stirling and Falkirk (Lieutenant-Colonel J.Stirling of Garden) and the Chairman, Council of Management of the Hospice (Mr John McDonald).

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, subsequently visited HM Prison and Institution Cornton Vale, Stirling, and was received by the Director, Scottish Prison Service (Mr A Thomson) and the Governor, Cornton Vale (Mr John Meiklejohn).

Her Royal Highness, attended by Mrs Malcolm Wallace, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

Lady Susan Hussey has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

KENSINGTON PALACE

June 3: The Prince of Wales, President, Youth Business Initiative, this evening gave a Reception at Kensington Palace.

The Princess of Wales, Patron, London City Ballet, this evening attended a Reception at the West Street Studios, London, WC2.

Mrs Max Pike and Lieutenant-Commander Richard Aylard, RN, were in attendance.

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon today undertook engagements in Cheshire and was received on arrival at Manchester Airport by Her Majesty's Vice-Lieutenant for Cheshire (Sir William Mather).

Her Royal Highness visited Halton College of Further Education in Widnes and was entertained to luncheon.

June 3: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon this afternoon visited Victoria Road County Primary School in Runcorn, in connection with the Centenary celebrations.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by The Lady Glenconner.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE

June 3: The Duchess of Kent this evening attended a Musical Evening at 13, Grosvenor Crescent, London SW1, to mark the 10th anniversary of the Beethoven Fund for Deaf Children.

Mrs Alan Henderson was in attendance.

A service of thanksgiving for the life and work of Gordon L. Shemilt will be held at All Hallows by-the-Tower on Tuesday, June 17, at 11.30 am.

The Princess Helena College is holding a ball on July 4, 1986, to celebrate the centenary of the granting of the royal charter by Queen Victoria.

Birthdays today

General Sir Cecil Blacker, 70; Mr Bob Champion, 38; Sir Christopher Cockerell, 76; Rear-Admiral Sir Paul Greening, 58; Mr A.H.C. Greenwood, 69; the Earl of Halsbury, 78; Miss Andrea Jaeger, 21; the Right Rev Dr J.R.H. Moorman, 81; Mr Geoffrey Palmer, 59; Sir John Sparrow, 53; Professor J.C. West, 64; Sir Martin Wilkinson, 75.

Tennis Ball

The Tennis Ball will be held in the Albert Hall on Saturday, June 21, 1986. Miss Virginia Wade and other Wimbledon celebrities will be playing tennis. Dancing is to The Jumping Records. Tickets are £20. For information and invitations please contact Mr Baxter on 01-834 1002.

Trinity House

The Duke of Edinburgh was re-elected Master of the Corporation of Trinity House at the annual court held yesterday at Trinity House. The Bishop of London officiated at the annual service held at St Olave's, Hart Street, afterwards.

Installation

Canon Michael Mayne will be installed as Dean of Westminster, in Westminster Abbey at 3.30 pm on Monday, July 7.

Those wishing to attend are invited to apply for tickets to the Receiver-General, Room 7, the Chapter Office, 20 Dean's Yard, Westminster Abbey, London, SW1P 3PA, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope, by Monday, June 23. Tickets will be posted on Monday, June 30.

Sale room

High value of glass plaques

By Geraldine Norman, Sale Room Correspondent

A group of six engraved glass plaques purchased just after the last war for £50 in a provincial sale room were sold by Christie's yesterday for a total of £117,720. They are the work of a brilliant glass engraver, Caspar Lehmann (1563-1622), who was employed at the court of the great connoisseur, Emperor Rudolf.

He is credited with being the first artist to apply the technique of wheel-engraving to glass, having started life as an engraver of gems. He shared quarters in Prague Castle with a remarkable group of other artists, including the silversmith Paul van Vianen and the painter Hans van Aachen.

All six plaques were bought by H.Hübner, the Wurzburg dealer. He paid £27,000 for a plaque engraved with Europa and the Bull; Europa a beefy but beautifully dressed lady clutches the bull's horn as he leaps over the waves. The plaque bears the initials CH, which are thought to indicate that it was made for Christian II of Saxony and his bride, Hedwig of Denmark. Two other plaques cost him £27,000, two £12,960 and one £10,800.

Christie's had not risked an estimate since only a handful of similar plaques are known, and they are mostly in museums. They had been talking privately of prices in the £20,000 to £30,000 range.

It was around that time that Prince Albert gave three similar plaques to the Victoria and Albert Museum which are believed to have come from a castle in Schleswig Holstein. Yesterday's plaques might have come from the same source.

The sale of English and Continental glass was very successful, making a total of £242,524. Prices for English glass were especially high with a baluster wine glass supported on an exceptionally rare egg-knop with an elongated tear making £3,456.

At Phillips, two portraits by Sir Thomas Lawrence soared beyond pre-sale estimates to fetch £209,000. The half-length portraits depict Edward and Hastings Impey, two of the seven children of a distinguished lawyer, Sir Elijah Impey. Phillips had estimated the pair at £30,000 to £50,000.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr T.C.ff.B. Sligo-Young and Miss M. Fairgrieve
The engagement is announced between Torquill, eldest son of Mr Thomas ff.B. Young, of London, and Mrs Clare Sligo, of Melbourne, Australia, and Marjorie, youngest daughter of Sir Russell and Lady Fairgrieve, of Pankalan, Boleside, Galashiels.

Mr I.H. Chapman and Miss J.M. Skene-Keating
The engagement is announced between Ian, son of the late Major H.J.J. Chapman and of Mrs C. Chapman, of Neath, South Wales, and Julia, daughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel G. Skene-Keating and of Mrs J. Skene-Keating, of Fulham, London.

Mr J.A. Curwen and Miss A. McLear
The engagement is announced between Andrew, only son of Mrs M. Curwen and the late Mr J.A. Curwen, of Werrington, Cambridgeshire, and Anne, second daughter of Mr and Mrs T.E. McLear, of Crosby, Liverpool.

Mr W.J. Hughes-D'Aeth and Miss F.J. McKenzie
The engagement is announced between Jonathan, only son of Mr and Mrs Wyndham Hughes-D'Aeth, of Broadstairs, Kent, and Fiona, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Grahame McKenzie, of Ashford, Kent.

Group Captain A. Mumford and Lady Mary Fitzalan Howard
The marriage took place in the Chapel at Arundel Castle on Friday, May 30, of Group Captain Anthony Mumford and Lady Mary Fitzalan Howard.

Mr J.C.M. Lloyd and Miss C.A Harris
The engagement is announced between John, eldest son of Colonel and Mrs J.M. Lloyd, of Lisvane, Cardiff, and Carolyn, twin daughter of Mr and Mrs M.J. Harris, of Croydon, Surrey.

Mr E.B. Thompson and Miss A.J. Trowsdale
The engagement is announced between Eric, son of Mr and Mrs Ian Thompson, of Rotorua, New Zealand, and Alison, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Trowsdale, of Potters Bar, Hertfordshire.

Mr M.A. Leggo and Miss R.J. Bunting
The engagement is announced between Michael, son of Mr Anthony Leggo, of Oxshott, Surrey, and Mrs Joan Leggo, of Blackheath, London, and Rosemary, daughter of Group Captain and Mrs M.C. Bunting, of Hook Heath, Woking, Surrey.

Dr K. Hancock and Miss P.C. Evans
The engagement is announced between Kevin, only son of Mr and Mrs T. Hancock, of St Austell, Cornwall, and Penelope, younger daughter of the late Mr N.W. Evans and of Mrs Evans, of Rodden, Dorset.

Mr P. Marshall and Miss C.E. Laidlaw
The engagement is announced between Paul, younger son of Mr and Mrs E.C.V. Marshall, of Martock, Somerset, and Claire Estelle, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.R. Laidlaw, of Hatfield, Hertfordshire.

Mr J.R. Minassian and Miss M.C. Kurkjian
The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr and Mrs Antoine Minassian, of Ealing, London, and Mariana, elder daughter of Mr George Kurkjian and the late Mrs Norma Kurkjian, of Streatham, London.

Mr J.A. Short and Miss E.E. Merivale-Austin
The engagement is announced between James, only son of Mr and Mrs R.C. Short, of Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey, and Elizabeth, elder daughter of Major and Mrs Merivale-Austin, of Cheyne Row, Chelsea and Barbados.

Marriages

Mr A.R. Caesar and Mrs J.L.M. Erskine
The marriage between Mr Anthony Caesar and Mrs Jillian Erskine (née Budge) took place on May 30.

Mr M.J. Miller and Mrs B. Collier
The marriage took place yesterday, June 3, 1986, of Mr Michael John Miller and Mrs Beryl Collier. After the civil ceremony at Lymington register office, a service of blessing was held at Christchurch Priory. Canon Basil Trevor-Morgan officated.

Luncheons

HM Government
Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host yesterday at a luncheon held at Lancaster House in honour of M Niels Ersboll, Secretary-General of the Secretariat of the Council of Ministers of the European Community.

American Express
Princess Michael of Kent was present at a luncheon at the Westbury Hotel, New Bond Street, yesterday, given by American Express, after she had witnessed the Bond Street tercentenary pageant. Mr John Petersen, vice-president of Business Partners of American Express, and Mrs Susan Benjamin, chairman of the Bond Street Association, received the guests, who included:
The Lord Mayor of Westminster, Princess Helena Moutafian, Mr Rodney Brooke, Mr Humphrey Swire, Officers of the St John Ambulance (Prince of Wales's District), senior executives of American Express, and members of the Council of the Bond Street Association.

Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution
The Duke of Northumberland, president, presided at the luncheon held yesterday at the Café Royal after the 126th annual meeting of the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution. The guest of honour was Mr William Gauntlett who retired yesterday as chairman of council after 32 years service to the institution. The speakers were Mr Hew Watt, a vice-president of the institution, and Mr Gauntlett.

National Stroke Campaign
Sir Eric Cheadle, chairman, presided at the inauguration of the National Stroke Campaign, initiated by the Chest, Heart and Stroke Association, held at the Royal Society of Medicine yesterday. Miss Patricia Neal launched the campaign. The guests at the luncheon held afterwards included:
Lord Smith, Lady (Patrick) Hamilton, Lady Cheadle, Sir Ernest Sidey, Dame Anne Bryans, Sir Reginald Murley, Sir David Atkinson (director-general, CHSA), Miss Glenda Jackson, Mrs Claire Rayner, Mr Andrew Cruickshank, Mr Steve Race and Miss Judy Kay (campaign director).

Dinners

Chatham Dining Club
Sir Gordon Borrie, QC, Director General of Fair Trading, was the principal guest at a Chatham Dining Club dinner held yesterday at the St Ermin's hotel. Mr Anthony Cripps, QC, was in the chair

Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain
Dr Geoffrey Booth, President of the Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, presided at a dinner at 1 Lambeth High Street yesterday. The Hon Douglas Hurd, Secretary of State for the Home Department, also spoke. Among others present were:
Lord Pitt of Hampstead, Sir Hugh Linstead, Dr J D J Havard, Mr P E Taylor, Mr D Mair, Mr P Dodd, Mr D K Watkins, Mr Charles Wardle, MP, Mr J R V Merrills and Mr D L Mower.

Distillers' Company
Mr Norman Ritchie, Master of the Distillers' Company, accompanied by Mrs Ritchie and assisted by Mr Charles Minoprio and Mr T.W. Tofield, Wardens, presided at a dinner held last night at Plaisterers' Hall. The other speakers were Mr W.I.B. Brooks and Mr A.L. Davis, Master of the Vintners' Company. The guests included the Masters of the Coopers', Brewers', Plaisterers' and Chartered Surveyors' companies and Colonel Jock Anderson.

To Dr D. Pyke
A symposium and dinner were held at the Royal Society on Friday, May 30, to mark the retirement of Dr David Pyke as physician in charge of the diabetic department at King's College Hospital. The speakers were Professor D. Weatherall, Professor W. Feldberg, Professor K. Taylor, Sir Cyril Clarke, and Professor G. Alberti. Dr A.M. Cooke proposed a toast to Dr Pyke.

OBITUARY

DAME ANNA NEAGLE

Actress in the polished English tradition

Dame Anna Neagle, the actress, who died yesterday at the age of 81, was a star who retained the common touch. She played heroines of musical comedy and historical figures from Nell Gwyn to Queen Victoria and Florence Nightingale with an unaffected sincerity that made her one of the popular performers of her time, both on stage and in the cinema.

She did not pretend to any great range or depth but within her limits was never less than polished and professional.

Born Marjorie Robertson at Forest Gate, London, on October 20, 1904, she was the daughter of a Merchant Navy captain (Neagle was her mother's maiden name). She studied dancing as a child and apart from a series of matinées when she was 13, made her stage début in the chorus of two Charlot revues during 1925.

She graduated through cabaret, the Drury Lane chorus of *Rose Marie* (where she was a "stand-by" before her promotion) and *The Desert Song*, and eventually two London Pavilion revues as one of "Mr Cochran's Young Ladies".

She was then primarily a dancer; but in 1930, as Anna Neagle, she began a film career and became Jack Buchanan's juvenile lead in the tour of a musical comedy, *Stand Up and Sing*; after this had opened at the London Hippodrome in the spring of 1931, she did not miss a single performance (604 in all).

Later her stage and film careers moved together. Fair-haired and blue-eyed, she had the "English rose" kind of good looks; she photographed well, and from *Goodnight Vienna* (1932) her screen future was assured. Eleven years later she married Herbert Wilcox, who directed her in all her major films, and it was a most happy partnership.

One of their earliest pictures was Noel Coward's *Bitter Sweet* in 1933. Just after she had made *Nell Gwyn*, with its amiable romanticism, she suddenly found herself, at 10 days' notice, as Rosalind in Regent's Park.

Though she had never acted in Shakespeare, or for years even read the plays, she managed to get through, under Robert Atkins's guidance and with a cast that included Jack Hawkins, Margaretta Scott and John Drinkwater. Olivia in *Twelfth Night* followed: another performance remembered for its simple directness.

But for a long time in the 1930s she was predominantly a film actress, moving from *Peg of Old Drury* (Peg Woffington), Nell Gwyn's natural successor, to *Victoria the Great*, her most famous picture, which ran for a year in London.

It delighted her that her next part, in which she believed equally, was Peter Pan on the stage of the Palladium (1937): almost across the road she could see posters of herself as the aged Queen. She returned to the screen and to Victoria in *Sixty Glorious Years*, which was made in colour.

Moving to Hollywood (but still directed by Wilcox), she played one of her most quietly veracious parts, Nurse Edith Cavell, followed by three brisk song-and-dance pictures, including *No, No, Nanette*.

In an England at war she appeared as Amy Johnson in the film, *They Flew Alone*. She returned to the stage in 1945 as Emma Woodhouse in a rather tepid version of Jane Austen's novel, *Emma*. It remained her favourite part.

Back then to the cinema and what was known as the "London series". With such titles as *I Live in Grosvenor Square*, *The Courtneys of Curzon Street*, *Spring in Park Lane* and *Maytime in Mayfair* they offered unashamed romanticism as an antidote to post-war austerity. Her leading man was Michael Wilding and in the late 1940s the pair of them were among the British cinema's biggest box-office draws.

She had stronger material in *Odette*, the story of the gallant agent in Occupied France who for two years after arrest was in enemy hands, and in 1951 played Florence Nightingale in *The Lady with a Lamp*. In the mid 1950s she starred in film versions of two Ivor Novello musicals, *Lilacs in the Spring* and *King's Rhapsody*, on each occasion with an unlikely leading man in Errol Flynn.

In Coronation Year, 1953, she acted at the Palace Theatre in a musical, *The Glorious Days*, that allowed her to appear on the same evening as Nell Gwyn, Queen Victoria, and two musical comedy stars, one from the 1920s, one modern. Though it was not, as she said, a "critics' show", she gave her usual capable performance.

In the 1960s she had to face the crisis of her life. Because of the failure of her husband's film company, they were in acute financial straits for more than three years, with most of their possessions gone. The solution came in a musical play, *Charlie Girl*, produced at the Adelphi Theatre just before Christmas 1965.

On the night of the première Herbert Wilcox was very ill in hospital. But he made a good recovery. And despite terrible notices, *Charlie Girl*, in which Anna Neagle played a former Cochran Young Lady who married into the peerage, ran for five years, 2,047 performances, and toured later in Australia and New Zealand.

During its run she was created DBE in the Birthday Honours of 1970 (she had been made CBE in 1952).

In 1973 she was asked to appear in a revival of *No, No, Nanette* at Drury Lane, the theatre where nearly 50 years earlier she had been a chorus stand-by in *Rose-Marie*. Again her sense of occasion did not fail her.

When, too, in 1975, she took over from Celia Johnson in William Douglas-Home's play, *The Dame of Sark*, she gave to the part's calm courage her own gently personal quality.

Herbert Wilcox died in 1977 but Dame Anna showed no signs of retiring. In that year she was in *Most Gracious Lady*, a show devised for the Queen's Silver Jubilee, and during 1978 toured as Henry Higgins's mother in a revival of *My Fair Lady*.

In 1982 she was in the pantomime *Cinderella* at Richmond and gave her last stage performance as the fairy godmother, also in a production of *Cinderella*, which opened at the London Palladium at Christmas.

SIR KENNETH WOOD

Sir Kenneth Wood, FCA, a leading figure in the post-war development of reinforced concrete for "high-rise" housing, died on May 27, aged 77.

Trained as a chartered accountant but with all the instincts of the structural engineer which he had wished to be, it was said of Wood that he was able to design and cost a precast concrete beam in his head (though, as he would dryly observe, it was wise to check the figures afterwards).

He was appointed industrial adviser to Richard Crossman when the latter was Minister of Housing in 1966, services for which Wood was knighted in 1970. He was also Director of the National Building Agency from 1966 - 1979.

Born on April 25, 1909, the son of Sydney and Edith Wood, Kenneth Millns Wood was educated at Barnstaple Grammar School and afterwards at Cambridge, where he had a distinguished academic career, ending as Wrangler in the mathematical tripos at Trinity College.

On coming down, he abandoned his wish to become a structural engineer, qualifying instead as a chartered accountant and entering the offices of ICI.

After the Second World War, in which he served with RA Anti-Aircraft, ending as a lieutenant-colonel, he joined Concrete Ltd, now Bison (Concrete) Ltd, a firm of reinforced concrete engineers founded by his father-in-law, John Ambrose. Within four years he had been appointed managing director and, in 1958, became chairman, a post he held until retirement in 1979.

Wood brought to his work a keenly developed sense of structural values which, allied to a first-class mathematical mind, proved an inspiration to the firm's design staff.

A man full of novel ideas, he soon took the firm into the higher echelons of reinforced concrete as applied to structures; among his early suggestions may be numbered prestressed hollow flooring and, in about 1955, the idea of precast concrete frames designed to modular dimensions, and applicable to industrial structures such as car parks, schools and, later, housing.

The "Bison" system, developed under Wood's leadership, was used extensively during the building boom in the 1960s for blocks of flats, including high-rise developments.

However, difficulties arose. Local authorities, who had been persuaded by Whitehall to erect system-built housing, soon faced substantial repair bills as some flats failed to withstand the British weather.

Several councils took the cheapest way out and demolished a number of "Bison" blocks, while others carry long-term debts to repair them. Experts cite many reasons for the high failure rate: the use of unskilled and semi-skilled labour during construction, inadequate sealing and inferior securing of walls to floors.

In 1983 the Department of the Environment took the unusual step of writing to local authorities advising them to check all Bison built homes for faults. Up to 50,000 Bison homes are believed to have been built.

Wood is survived by his wife, Julia, and daughter, Susan.

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BIRTHS

BAIRD On the 28th of May at St. Thomas' Hospital London, to Jean (nee Jardine) and Andrew, a son, Alexander.

BENNETT On May 12th to Elizabeth (née Allen) and Robert a son, Richard John Charles, a brother for Philip.

BRIARS On May 14th at the International Hospital, Bahrain, to Charlotte (nee Daniels) and Christopher, a son, Oliver

BROCKBANK On 29th May at Helme Chase, Kendal to David and Anthea (nee Ogden) a daughter, Sarah Charlotte, a sister for Catherine.

FIFE - On May 30th to Nicky (née Savill) and Andy a son, William Richard Alexander.

FIRMAN On 26th May to Katharine (née Maundrell) and Graham, a son, Michael David, a brother for Caroline

FOLEY On June 2nd at The Bristol Maternity Hospital, to Elizabeth (née Phillips) and Donald, a daughter, Lucy Suzanne

FORLAND. On May 31st 1986 at Queen Charlottes Hospital, to Heather (née Stuart) and Lenard, a daughter Gemma Rosemary.

GILBERT On June 2nd at St Richard's Hospital, Chichester to Carol (nee Hook) and Jonathan a son, Charlie

GOODENOUGH On May 30th to Louise (née Ortmens) and William a daughter

HUDLESTON - On May 31st to Amanda (née Love) and Charles, a daughter Annabel, a sister for Charlotte.

HUGHES On 2nd June to Bridgid and David, a son, a brother for Henry and James

IGNOTUS On 22nd May to Karen (née Luck) and Paul, a son, Paul James Richard

MADDEN On May 30th to Eileen (née Rawson) and Francis, a son, Nicholas Edward, a brother for Charlotte.

MARIGOLD On 29th May to Anne (nee Huys) and James, a son, Andrew Edward George, brother for Richard, Lucy and Michael

MELLOR On 28th May to Jamie and Morag (nee Livingstone) a son, Hamish.

NORTON On 30th May to Amanda (née Springer) and Francis a daughter, Stephanie Rachel, a sister for Alexander and Benjamin.

PICKERING On 1st June at Guy's Hospital to Kate (née Alexander) and John, a daughter, Anne Elizabeth.

SIMON On 26th May to Barbara and Leslie in Hong Kong a daughter, Sarah Clare Eleanora.

SPOONER on May 16th, 1986, at The Royal Berkshire Hospital, Reading, to Carole (nee Rankin) and Nigel, a son, Andrew James.

ST CLAIR GAINER on 8th May 1986, to Jane (nee Humphryes) and Richard, a daughter, Frederica.

STOKE On May 29th to Marieanne (née Gunton) and Jeremy a daughter, Philippa Jane.

TETLEY On June 2nd to Caroline (née Rendall) and Ivor a son, Samuel John, a brother for Dominic.

TREVITT - On May 21st to Angela (née Innes) and Edwin a daughter, Linda Jennifer.

TURNER On May 20th, at B.M.H. Rinteln, to David and Sarah (née Coatesworth) a daughter, Hannah Elizabeth.

DEATHS

ARMSTRONG Richard, author, 30th May 1986, aged 82 yrs. 11 months. In good care at the Williton Hospital, Somerset. Private cremation. No flowers.

BACKHOUSE On June 1st peacefully at Coney Weston Hall, Jean Patricia, sister of Peter and David, much loved mother of Jane and grandmother of Mark, Kim and Edwin. Funeral Service at Coney Weston Church on Thursday, June 5th at 2 30 p m.

BLACK On June 3rd peacefully after a long, courageous and cheerful struggle, at home, Winifred 'Anne' dearly beloved wife of Ian, and mother to Isobel, Moray, Alison and Alan. Flowers to Northcott Bros, Milestone Cottage, Church Street, Sidford, Sidmouth, Devon. Friday morning.

BRAYE - Olivia Mercy (Punty) (née Wauchope) in her 89th year peacefully on Sunday 1st June after a short illness. Beloved wife of the late Philip George (Peter) Braye, CSI, CIE, ED, ICS, retired. Happily reunited after 30 years. Younger sister of Joyce MacIver. Loving mother of Jim and Elizabeth, grandmother and great grandmother. Private cremation. Memorial at Oxford later. Cut flowers only. Enquiries to Eaden Lilleys, Cambridge.

BUXTON B Godfrey MBE MC MA. On June 1, at his home after a short illness aged 91. Funeral Service of Farewell and Thanksgiving at St Pauls Church, Crawley Ridge, Camberley, Surrey, on Wednesday June 11 at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only, private interment later any enquiries to 0276 63779.

COLERIDGE On May 31st Sylvia aged 76, younger daughter of General Sir John Coleridge & Lady Coleridge, sister of Margaret (Tiny) Seligman. Cremation strictly private. See WATT.

COLLINS On May 31st, 1986, peacefully after a long illness in Brighton, Doris Collins, beloved wife and lifelong companion of Norman, much loved mother of Michael and grandmother of John, Kate and Claire. Funeral Service at St. Margaret's Church, Rottingdean on Friday, June 6th at 10.00 a.m. Flowers may be sent to W A Stringer & Son, 12 Kensington Gardens, Brighton.

CROUCH On 30th May, peacefully at home Thomas Frederick Crouch aged 84 Much loved husband of the late Muriel and beloved father of Pam and Roger and their families. Funeral Service at Surrey and Sussex Crematorium, Worth on Friday, 6th June at 10.00 am. No flowers please Donations, if desired, to Queen Mary's Hospital for Children, Carshalton, Surrey.

EDWARDS On June 1st Evan Stanley aged 81 of 169 Pencisely Road, Cardiff and of Stoke Fleming, retired Dental Surgeon Beloved father of Norman and Adrian, loving and much loved Taid of Sian, Ceri, Gwen, Bronwen and Bethan. Funeral Service at LLandaff Cathedral, Cardiff on Thursday, June 5th at 12 15 pm Afterwards at Glyntaff Crematorium at 1.30 pm. Family flowers only Donations if wished to Friends of Afon Taf School, Troedyrhiw, Mid Glamorgan.

EMSLIE Dr Margaret Passed away on 28th May, 1986.

FOGG ELLIOT On May 31st, Captain Robin Fogg Elliot, M.B.E., late The Gordon Highlanders, aged 81 Husband of Betty for 56 years, father of Fay, Sylvia and Elizabeth, grandfather and great-grandfather. Funeral private. No flowers

FARQUHAR on June 2nd, peacefully at home, Lt. Col. Sir Peter Walter Farquhar Bt. DSO, OBE, JP. Funeral private. Memorial Service Wednesday June 25th at 3 00 pm at St. Mary the Virgin, West Kington, Near Chippenham. No flowers please, but donations, if desired, to The National Association of Boy's Clubs, 24 Highbury Grove, London N5 2EA or The Hunt Servants Benevolent Society, Parsloe Cottage, Bagendon, Cirencester, Glos.

FONTEYN On May 30th 1986, peacefully in her 89th year, Laura Mito Victoria, wife of the late Col. R G (Ray) Fonteyn. Funeral service at Putney Vale Crematorium, Friday 6th June at 1.30pm. All flowers and enquiries please to J H Kenyon Ltd., 49 Marloes Road, W8. Tel: 01-937 0757.

FRANKLIN Alan Philip On 29th May at St. Stephen's Hospital, Fulham. Cremation to be held at Putney Vale Crematorium on Friday, 6th June at 12 noon.

GALLIFORD Walter George, Director of Galliford plc, passed peacefully away at the Cottage Hospital, Builth Wells, Powys on 2nd June, 1986. Mourned by his family, colleagues and friends. Funeral details from M. J. Lewis, tel. 0455 220840.

GILMOUR John Scott Lennox On June 3rd peacefully at home in Cambridge after a long illness aged 79. Much loved by his wife, Molly and daughters Nicola, Carolyn, Clare. Funeral at Cambridge Crematorium, Monday June 9th at 12.30 pm.

GUNTER Major Peter James R.E., C.B.E.,O.B.E., M.I.D., at home in Worthing Peacefully, on the 1st June 1986 after a short illness, aged 64 years. Dearly loved and devoted Husband of Betty and dear Brother of Margaret. Loving Father of Susan, Lindsay, David and John. Grampa to Lindsay, Lisa, Anthony, Emma, Sarah & Hannah. Sadly missed by all. Funeral service 2pm, Friday 6th June, at Worthing Crematorium. Flowers to HD Tribe Ltd. 130 Broadwater Rd. Worthing 34516.

HARTUNG on June 2nd, 1986, at St Hugh's Hospital, Cleethorpes, Florence Beatrice of 6 Welholme Road, Grimsby. The dearly loved wife of James Hartung, loving mother of Victoria. Service St James Church, Grimsby, Friday 6th June at 11am. Committal at Scartho Road Cemetery. Cut flowers may be sent to Kettle Ltd. 135 Granville St, Grimsby.

HORTON-SMITH On 31st May 1986 in hospital, peacefully, aged 84 years, Doctor Clifford Horton-Smith, OBE. Dearly loved husband, father and grandfather Family funeral only at Daldowie Crematorium, Glasgow, on Thursday 5th June at 1.45pm. No flowers please, donations if desired to RSPB, The Lodge, Sandy, Beds.

HUNTER - On 30th May, peacefully in hospital, Clarence Dyall (John) Hunter, aged 92 years. Formerly H.M. Principal Inspector of Taxes. Father of John and Patricia (Carpenter). Service at Croydon Crematorium on Friday 6th June at 11.30 am. No flowers, but donations if desired for Hospital League of Friends, c o J B Shakespeare Ltd., 67 George Street, Croydon.

HUNT - On 2nd June, peacefully at home after a long illness, Mathew Finbarr (Sandy) Hunt, F.R.C.S. Funeral at St. Mary's Church, Great Bentley, at 2.30 pm on Friday 6th June. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to R.N.L.I., c o W. H. Shephard, High Street, Colchester.

LITTLE Marianne (née de Beus) On 30th May, 1986, aged 50 on 29th May at home, 34 Hobson Road, Oxford, after a long struggle against cancer fought with the greatest courage. Late of Zambia, Oxfordshire, Suffolk and South Devon. Marianne was the adored wife of Richard Stenhouse, mother of Francis, Anthony and the late Michael and stepmother of Gini and James. Private funeral at St. Bride's Bay, Pembrokeshire at noon on Saturday, 7th June. Details of a Thanksgiving Service will be announced later. Donations, if desired, payable to: Friends of Sir Michael Sobell House, Oxford, or to the Cancer Research Campaign. Both can be sent to Sobell House, Churchill Hospital, Oxford.

LLOYD JONES On May 31st, 1986, in hospital, Ronald Richard, after an illness patiently borne. Son of Richard and Pattie Lloyd Jones of Lilleshall House, Shrewsbury. Service at Shrewsbury Crematorium on Tuesday, June 10th at 11.20 a.m. Enquiries please to the Funeral Directors, W. R. R. Pugh & Son, tel: 0743 4646.

LONSDALE On May 31st, very peacefully at Manormead Nursing Home, Hindhead, Ursula (Sammy) beloved and loving wife of Rupert. Beloved by her Sansum family and John and Moya and their children, and by so many others. Thanksgiving Service at Aldershot Crematorium, at 2.30 pm on Monday 9th June. Cut flowers from the garden only please. Praise the Lord.

MAINWARING Gertrude Anna Maria On May 30th, 1986, peacefully of Brynhyfryd, Trefnant aged 83 years. Dear sister of Lloyd Mainwaring. Funeral Service at the Holy Trinity Church, Trefnant on Wednesday, 4th June at 11.00 am, followed by cremation at Colwyn Bay. Family flowers only. Donations will be gratefully received towards the Trefnant's Church Fund, per The Venerable Archdeacon S. Clest-Parry, Rector of Trefnant. Enquiries R. Morris, Trefnant tel. 074574569.

MAYES On May 31st, peacefully at home, Henry Douglas aged 87 years after a long illness borne with great courage and dignity. Much loved husband of Janet and very devoted father of Barrie, Peter and Tim. Funeral Service at St. Luke's Church, Cheltenham on Thursday, June 5th at 1.30 pm, followed by cremation.

PAUNCEFORT-DUNCOMBE On 31st May peacefully at home, Evelyn Elvira, much loved mother, grandmother and greatgrandmother, in her 90th year. Funeral Service at St. Mary's Church, Great Brickhill on Monday, 9th June at 2.30 pm. Family flowers only. Any donations to Willen Hospice, Milton Keynes will be greatfully received.

PRESTWICH - On 31st May, Jonathan aged 19 was tragically killed in a car accident. Always loved and admired by his parents Colin and Avril, sister Joanna and brother Nicholas, together with everyone that knows him. Funeral at Christ Church, Clifton, on Monday 9th June at 12.00 noon, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please, donations if desired to The Headmaster, Bristol Grammar School, to establish a travel fund for students of modern languages. Memorial service at the Chapel of St Johns College, Oxford, on Tuesday 17th June at 3.00 pm, everyone welcome. Funeral arrangements with E. Edwards, 3 Alma Vale Road, Clifton, Bristol. Tel: 735208 or 832952.

PRICHARD - On June 1st, David Matthew Caradoc, Lt. Col., RWF., husband of Elizabeth of Goblon Manor, Abergavenny. Private cremation on Thursday 5th June, followed by service at Colwinston at 4.00 pm. Family only. No flowers.

REES Frederick on 30th May 1986 in Charing Cross Hospital. Funeral Service at Golders Green Crematorium - West Chapel on Friday 6th June at 2.30 p.m. Family flowers only.

SMITH - On 1st June 1986 in hospital at Worthing, His Honour Edgar Dennis, aged 75 years (lately of Croydon Crown Court). Dearly loved husband of Mary, father of Richard and John, and grandfather of Jonathan and Gabriella. Funeral at Worthing Crematorium (on the A 24 at Findon), on Monday 9th June at 2.30 pm. No flowers, but donations in his memory would be welcome to The Scouts Association, Baden-Powell House, London SW1.

STORR Peacefully at home on 31st May after a long illness, John Whitney. Funeral at Worthing Crematorium, Findon on Thursday 5th June at 2.15 pm. Flowers please or donations if desired to The Imperial Cancer Fund. All enquiries to Chaicraft Bros., High Street, Steyning.

WATT On May 31st Sylvia, aged 76, wife of A. G. Siddes Watt. Cremation strictly private. See COLERIDGE.

Science report

Playing possum linked to cot deaths

By Tony Samstag

One explanation for the tragedy of cot deaths, or the mysterious illness known as sudden infant death syndrome, may be related to the mechanism that enables animals to "play dead", according to recent studies at the University of Oslo.

The conclusion is drawn by Dr Birger Kaada, a neurophysiologist, who bases his suggestion on studies of the so-called "fear paralysis reflex". The syndrome is the greatest single cause of mortality during the first year of life in developed countries.

Dr Kaada believes it can be caused by the reflex which is triggered when "any threat is perceived as a danger and which evokes fear, such as predator confrontation, restraint of movement, inversion, unfamiliar and sudden noises, strange environment and separation from mother and companions".

The reflex is "innate, atavistic ... strongly accentuated in sudden, threatening situations with which the organism is unable to cope, i.e. in a condition of hopelessness and helplessness".

An infant that dies suddenly for no apparent reason may, in other words, literally have been scared to death. Although the fear paralysis reflex was first described 350 years ago, and has inspired no fewer than 14 different terms to describe it, doctors have paid far less attention to it than animal behaviourists.

Animals in which it has been observed include chickens, many species of bird; deer calves and fawns; rats, lizards, frogs and even eels, in which "slight stimulation of either gill caused a sudden and powerful cardiac arrest in a state of diastole".

In a monograph explaining the phenomenon, Dr Kaada says there is an attractive logic in the suggestion that the physiological responses necessary to feign death might get out of hand, bringing about the real thing. Death from these so-called "smoke" and "dive" reflexes follow a similar pattern.

While warning against drawing too many conclusions from analogies with sudden death by cardiac arrest in healthy human adults, he notes that "the importance of psychical stimuli", such as stress or fear, has become increasingly clear in such cases.

Some risk factors in sudden infant death syndrome are well established, if not well understood. There is certainly a genetic predisposition; in Tasmanians and American Indians, for example.

Children born to mothers addicted to opiates or who smoke are at risk, and there is thought to be some connection between cot death and respiratory illness or obstruction. Dr Kaada recommends that various "fear-producing stimuli" should now be added to the list.

He concludes that it would do no harm, at least, to put his hypothesis to the test by avoiding such stimuli wherever possible. The infant should be protected from "strong, uncontrollable unfamiliar noices", soft music might even be deployed for its "masking effect".

In his view, babies should not be tightly wrapped in bed clothes or other sleeping restraints, and care should be taken to ensure a child will wake up in a familiar environment, preferably in the presence of the mother.

A study published in the *Lancet* last year has inspired suggestions that an extraordinarily low rate of sudden infant death syndrome in Hong Kong may be related to the Chinese practice of placing the sleeping infants on their backs and to the high population density, which means that "the infants virtually are never placed in their own room and much less left alone".

Source: *Sudden Infant Death Syndrome: the possible role of the fear paralysis reflex*, by Birger Kaarda, MD (Norwegian University Press, distributed outside Scandinavia by Oxford University Press).

THE ARTS

Television

On *Breakfast Time* (BBC1) Selina Scott asked Jeffrey Archer why he bothered to stay in politics and take the flak when he could make so much money writing books.

For some time this programme's presenters have had the air of good natured people being asked to act like thugs to generate controversy for the cameras. This particularly ham-fisted swipe was swiftly parried when the author and politician pointed out that Selina Scott herself was not daunted by the flak she drew on television.

The excuse for this exchange was BBC1's screening of the American mini-series based on Jeffrey Archer's book *Kane and Abel*. There is plainly a feeling at the BBC that such blue-chip wares must be displayed in order to revive an audience overcome by massive doses of football.

Sadly, the brief morning spat between these two veteran flak-catchers was considerably more stimulating than the first 27 years of Archer's rags-to-riches-to-rags saga. The story is based on the simple idea of two men born on the same day on opposite sides of the world and at opposite ends of the ladder of fortune.

The portion of the story set in Poland before the First World War seemed to be taking place in a sort of dank Ruritania which satisfies the notions of abroad held by the blue-collar audience in the mid-west of America. All the Polish peasants rolled their R's to indicate their foreigness and there was a comforting absence of history and geography to avoid confusing the audience with facts.

This series will improve after last night's dreary beginning. Peter Strauss and Sam Neill in the title roles were already performing miracles with dialogue that is little more than the shortest distance between two points.

Kane and Abel has lost little of its simple-minded optimism about the capitalist dream in coming to the screen.

The other side of this coin. A workers' nightmare was represented by a film in the *First Tuesday* (ITV) series about a bingo club in Ellesmere Port, on Merseyside. The knees-up spirit of the Spitting Image Chicken Song ruled among the elderly audience who drank, sang, misbehaved themselves and applauded four depressed-looking naked men who danced with balloons. This was a short, classical documentary in which the director, Barry Cockcroft, and cameraman, Mostafa Hammouri, produced the saddest picture of human degradation in a civilized country which this reviewer can remember.

Celia Brayfield

Opera

Let-down as the night blows cold

Eugene Onegin
Covent Garden

Retiring at the end of this season as Covent Garden's music director, Sir Colin Davis has evidently been invited to play desert island operas, only with the choice quartered. *Fidelio* will be seen in a new production in a month's time; *Eugene Onegin* seemed in prospect a more curious selection, and still seems so after the event.

Perhaps it was the weather: Tatyana's remark about the "sultry" evening can rarely have been more apt. Or perhaps it was the fact that Thomas Allen was suffering from a heavy cold, so that a warmly anticipated house debut as Onegin lacked the supreme triumph. But whatever the reason, this was a disappointing evening.

The horns, no doubt, will blame the atmospheric conditions, but the bare tone-colour of the violas and the general want of sheen and sumptuousness in the orchestral sound need some other explanation. Sir Colin seemed most sure of himself in the vividly dramatic episodes, where Tchaikovsky reveals his admiration for *Carmen*, and in the big dances. Elsewhere he was hampered by the absence of sensitivity in the orchestral playing (woodwind excepted) and by his own tendency to press for blatancy of expression.

The announcement of Mr Allen's illness brought undisguised sighs from the audience, though in the event he offered much of the most distinguished singing: this is obviously going to be a strong interpretation, avoiding all self-regarding distaste in the portrayal of a character who is, in quite a sober fashion, constructed entirely of dissatisfaction.

Ileana Cotrubas's Tatyana, first seen in this production 15 years ago, is still fresh of passion but now vocally worrying: her vibrato, and the uncontrollable changes of colour with changing register, became more severe as the evening went on.

The new Lensky, Neil Rosenshein, did not sound at all happy, and Gwynne Howell's Gremin needed a touch more vocal security to back up its expressive warmth. The only wholly satisfactory, thoroughly enjoyable performance is that of Anne Howells as an Olga of animal urgency and ease.

Peter Hall's production has been reconsidered for the occasion by Richard Gregson, with not altogether coherent results. In particular, Mr Gregson fails to solve the problems raised by the chorus, whose non-naturalistic lines have particular force when the work is sung in English, and by the flips between monologue and action.

Paul Griffiths

Clive Barda

Off colour: Ileana Cotrubas and Thomas Allen in Eugene Onegin

Concert

Missing links

Philharmonia/ Sinopoli
Festival Hall

A question: When is a symphony not a symphony? Answer: When it happens to be Bruckner's Fourth Symphony conducted by Guiseppe Sinopoli.

Or perhaps the work is not really a symphony under any other circumstances either, for that term implies at least a degree of argument and resolution, or at any rate a sense of progress having been made by the end. Those things it does not have, but nevertheless it is still great music.

Statement might follow statement, climaxes accrue without apparent effect, new beginnings made over and over again. Yet those statements are of themselves invariably full of meaning. The obvious metaphor — why should we avoid it? — is the mountain, viewed again and again from its grassy lowland slopes to its heaven-searching peak.

The work is scarcely lacking in organic unity, either, and so it was something of a disappointment that Sinopoli seemed to be willing to treat it as a series of episodes largely unrelated to each other, especially in the finale.

The immediate effect was unarguably telling, especially with the Philharmonia Orchestra's willingness to make the most of every detail, be it the tiniest tremolo or obligato whisper from the upper strings or the most awesome brass-laden fortissimo blasts.

It seems unbelievable that these were the same players who a week or two ago were giving the most refined performances of French music, such was the rich, warm solidity of their sound.

But the power did not accumulate as it should have, though the Scherzo at least had plenty of rhythmic thrust. The slow movement seemed to amble rather amiably on its way where it ought to have touched the heart, and could so easily have done at the risk, perhaps, of a degree of exactitude. Perhaps, indeed, Sinopoli's tight control of the orchestra lay at the roots of the problem.

Before this, Uto Ughi gave an equally confident reading of Brahms' Violin Concerto. There were no problems of unity here, but ultimately again it was not a performance to stir the soul, for all the wondrous horn and woodwind solos contributed by the orchestra. The trouble was quite simple. The concerto ought to be an heroic struggle, where Ughi made it sound positively easy.

Stephen Pettit

Gallery

Neglected beauty comes of age

Truth, Beauty and Design
Fischer Fine Art

By now the supply of really first-rate Victorian and Edwardian decorative arts is getting rather thin on the ground. But, as Constant Lambert once remarked, the dungheap of today is the potpourri of tomorrow, and sometimes a label which seems to promise untold delights to the Victorian enthusiast proves to cover only the leavings of the rubbish dump, obligingly deodorized by time. Fortunately that could hardly be further from the truth of the show **Truth, Beauty and Design**, which is at Fischer Fine Art until June 27.

The subtitle is "Victorian, Edwardian and later decorative arts", and the material included ranges in time from a day-bed of c.1824 by William Porden to a screen designed in 1954 by Ceri Richards for the S. S. Orsova. Almost everything is good of its kind, even though one would be hard put to it to appreciate everything equally.

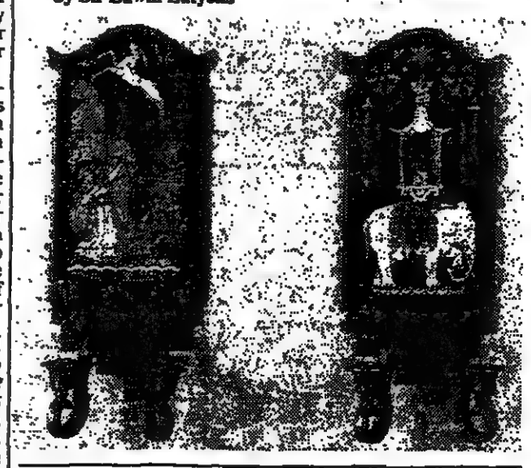
What, one wonders, would Augustus Welby Pugin make of having his moralistic gothic rubbing shoulders with a Llewellyn-Roberts grille for a lift in Selfridge's? Or what would William Morris think of the chunky wall-sconces apparently designed by Lutyens for a house in Sussex and rejected by his lily-livered clients; it is certainly hard to picture them set against a Morris fabric or wallpaper.

Nor, presumably, would anyone have thought to do so, in those pre-pluralistic days when simply throwing out was grandly preferred to mix-and match.

The show has a lot of expected things: Christopher Dresser silverware, De Morgan ceramics, furniture by Burges and Godwin. But the later stages of the Arts and Craft movement are particularly well represented, with fine examples of furniture by Ashbee, Gimson, Lethaby and even Sir Gordon Russell.

The incidental pieces of sculpture and graphics are often very telling: the protean Charles Ricketts shows off his, in his own lifetime, little-publicized talents as a sculptor with a small mother-and-child group, and Frank Brangwyn is represented by, among other things, a poster of c.1930 for Pollard's the shop-fitters. Peculiarly appropriate, since this was the very company responsible for the stonework on the display-front of the Fischer gallery itself. Sooner or later everything comes home to roost.

John Russell Taylor



Right: Mother and Child, by Charles Ricketts. Below: Pair of wall sconces, by Sir Edwin Lutyens

Northern sweetener

Faust
Grand Theatre, Leeds

For part two of its summer season devoted to the wages of sin, or even mere concupiscence, Opera North has turned to Gounod. Paul Griffiths was here a few days ago for *The Rake's Progress* and its world does not seem all that far away in this *Faust*, which visits bedlam too as Faust is gathered into the deathly arms of Mephistopheles.

This is the production by Ian Judge seen last autumn at the Coliseum, which found favour in some quarters but not, alas, in this one. But no matter: in Leeds it is altogether a different affair.

For a start, it is sung in French, and very decent French too, without spoken dialogue and that gets rid of the Coliseum's lustreless translation. And Mr Judge has been persuaded to round off some of the wackier corners of his staging, although a little more rounding-off would not come amiss, especially in the first half.

Too often smart — and not so smart — ideas go right against the cultivated charm of the score, notably in the *kermesse* scene. The quality of the production lies in the way it turns a long opera, even stripped of the ballet, into what seems a short one. Its defect is the dogged refusal to recognize the fact that Gounod was sometimes inclined to sentimentality and indeed was a master of it.

Only the Mephistopheles is shared between London and Leeds. John Tomlinson was a bit below form at the Coliseum first night. Here up north he is in fine vocal fettle, an uncharacteristically dry Serenade apart. He rolls up in any manner of disguises, as a good Devil should, whether amazing the drinkers in the tavern of Bacchus with some flashy tricks or turning up as the old Reaper himself to take the corpse of Valentin off in a convenient cart. It is now a properly flamboyant and vocally assured performance.

Valerie Masterson's Marguerite is familiar in Britain and in Europe and she has certainly curbed some of the excesses the production forced on the Coliseum's soprano. She has sung the Jewel Song more brilliantly than she did at Leeds and the voice sounds as though it needs careful treament at the top nowadays, but she remains one of the most winning of sopranos, especially in the French repertoire, and she carries all the charm that frightens Ian Judge so much.

Jerome Pruett, as Faust, could steal a little of it from her. His musical manners are admirable, but the tenor tends to aridity; the stage presence is stodgy and hardly helped by a gold lame waistcoat of the sort Mario Lanza used to sport. Pruett's Faust was agreeable enough in a small house but could well get lost on larger premises.

Keith Latham's Valentin lacked suavity for "Avant de quitter" but improved mightily as the hour of death approached a couple of acts later. There was a Siebel full of vocal promise from Beverley Mills and an attractive Wagner from Adrian Clarke.

Opera North's chorus shrugged off their Victorian costumes and had one of their very best nights. So did the orchestra under Clive Timms.

All in all this is a more satisfying and considerably less perverse *Faust* than London saw. Next stop in the Northern sin season: *Don Giovanni*.

John Higgins

Dance

A gift crying out amid the muddle

Euroshima
ICA

I keep hoping for something from Laurie Booth. The man is physically so gifted, and so obviously eager to use his gifts to convey something serious and useful about life. Unfortunately, he has this crazy idea that his command of movement will somehow be enhanced by using words. That is a dire mistake.

The latest example of Booth's magnificently misplaced energy is *Euroshima*, a title he found painted on a Berlin wall. It arrived at the ICA theatre last night for a week's run after a regional tour and goes next to the Netherlands, where perhaps the fact that the text is in double-Dutch will not be noticed.

The words are by Booth and a French singer, Régine, who has recorded most of them as part of Philip Jeck's sound collage. Puzzling over her fractured English accent helps relieve the tedium of the well-meaning but muddle-headed content. Subjects range from news manipulation via the consumer society to the effects of nuclear attack; only the best targets, you note, the most obvious and well thumbed.

Actually, it seems to me that Booth's dancing is becoming almost as incoherent as his language. Lean, powerfully but sleekly muscled, his body is an impressive instrument. He can pick himself off the ground with no apparent preparation and fly to one side in a light trajectory with a crash landing. He can support himself horizontally above the floor and kick a percussive tattoo against it.

He and Ikky Maas, whose light, coolly reserved style makes an effective contrast, extend long, exploratory arabesques. With stocky, ironically smiling Danielle Hogan, Booth undertakes a duet where the falls and catches of contact improvisation are used with flamboyant daring.

He persuades Belinda Neave into unexpected tripping movements, accomplished with a lightness disconcerting in a dancer so manifestly pregnant.

The stage is dominated by John Newton's setting: a sail, two curtains with Japanese-looking patterns, a huge wooden object that might be a geometric instrument but looks like a great spear pointed at us from its launcher. Also four chairs where the dancers, on stage for the show's 80 minutes, rest between their assignments.

Near the beginning there is a gripping visual metaphor when the two women, Neave and Hogan, sit opposite each other, launching sudden, violent but adroitly parried blows, then allowing the same energy to draw them into a loving embrace.

If Booth could develop choreography of this sort he might convey something deeper, more moving, than his present muddle of disjointed, loosely ordered dance fragments and irrelevant commentary.

John Percival

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Hollywood's gentler giant

The Trip to Bountiful has earned **Geraldine Page** an Oscar after seven previous nominations and is worthy recognition of a fine stage and film career. Interview by Simon Banner

With Hollywood continuing to turn out *Rambo* and *Rocky* rip-offs as if there were no tomorrow, as perhaps there may not be, the release this week of *The Trip to Bountiful* can only come as something of a pleasant surprise. The story of an old woman's brief escape from an unhappy life with her son to the hometown she is determined to revisit before she dies, *Bountiful* manages its sentiment without too much sentimentality.

The performance at the centre of the film, from Geraldine Page as Mrs Watts, the hymn-singing old lady bound for a forgotten Texan town, gained the actress an Oscar nomination, although, in the weeks leading up to the award ceremony, she became convinced that she was not going to win. Apart from some tough competition in the shape of Whoopi Goldberg in Spielberg's *The Color Purple*, and Meryl Streep with yet another accent in *Out of Africa*, Geraldine Page felt that her chances were diminished by seven previous academy award nominations without one win and, oddly enough, by the seating plan for the big night itself.

"It turned out", she explains, "that I was right behind John Huston, and wherever he goes these days he has to travel with two large oxygen tanks, so the aisle was completely blocked. I thought they wouldn't put me there if I were going to win because I wouldn't be able to walk up to collect the award." But win she did.

Yet having seen Lillian Gish, back in the 1950s, in a Broadway version of the play from which the film is taken, Geraldine Page had long been sure of the potential of the role. "To tell the truth", she says, "I'm a greedy type, and in almost every play I ever see I think there's a part I would like to do. But even so, *The Trip to Bountiful* stuck in my mind more than most, and when the possibility of the film came up, I didn't have to think about it. I just said yes."

What she said yes to was an intensive six-week shoot on a film which had a budget of just $3 million — more like a top Hollywood actress's fee than the cost of a whole movie. "It was an exhausting experience because we were shooting for as much as 18 hours each day in order to save money, and as I'm on screen for most of the film, it was doubly hard."

Suresh Karadia

Eighth time lucky: Oscar-winning Geraldine Page

According to Page, Paul Masterton, best known as an actor, who made his directorial debut with *The Trip to Bountiful*, maintained a low-key approach to his task. "He was very quiet — he mostly seemed to watch and listen." Which, considering his star actress's aptitude for portraying characters much older than herself, sounds to have been the wisest course of action. There was, as far back as 1962, in that film of Tennessee Williams's *Sweet Bird of Youth*, her representation of an ancient movie star.

Her facility in this direction is, she says, a mix of her "kinda lumpy face", acquaintance with her own "Aunt Lulu, who lived well into her eighties", and considerable amounts of time she spent "staring at people". "One of the reasons I like living in a city like New York is that I can watch people on the buses or on the subway. I often draw them as well. I have box after box of sketches back home."

Born in Kirksville, Missouri, in 1924, Geraldine Page grew up in Chicago. She first thought of using her sketching talents to become an artist. Or at least she thought of being a musician, but times being what they were, which was hard, even with a doctor for a father, the family could not afford a piano. "So we got drawing lessons at 10 cents a time from a poverty-stricken artist who lived down the hall instead."

The eventual arrival of a piano proved something of a disappointment — "I tried and tried, but I was disillusioned very quickly, because I wanted to play a concerto straight-away, and I gave up in the middle of *The Skater's Waltz*" — the course of her life being determined rather by a key part in a play by the unlikely name of *Excuse My Dust*. "I was 16 at the time and I played a young lady who told a lie which caused all the plot complications, and then I had a great scene where I confessed. Someone in the audience cried, which I thought was wonderful. A concerto straight off! I decided to be an actress."

By the time her "big break" came in an off-Broadway revival of Tennessee Williams's *Summer and Smoke*, Geraldine Page had already done more than 500 plays, mainly in the Midwest, as well as rigorous training at Chicago's celebrated Goodman Theatre. Her Broadway debut in *Mid-Summer* was followed by success in *The Immoralist* with James Dean, while a film career began spectacularly with three out of her first four films earning her Oscar nominations.

Page's abiding determination to remain "a stage actress who did a film once in a while", initially met with both amazement and anger in Hollywood. Very early on she turned down a seven-year contract with Fox, and after making *Hondo* with John Wayne, rejected his offer to buy half her film contract. She has, in fact, made a habit of turning down Hollywood ever since.

Roles in *The Exorcist* ("I read the book and I wanted to throw up"), *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf* ("a ridiculous play"), are all offers she remembers with little shrieks of horror, and now with an Oscar under her belt, Hollywood is still going to have its work cut out to find Geraldine Page a role. She has already said no to "a silly movie about flying saucers" and a part playing "Timothy Hutton's dead aunt in heaven".

There may not be many *Bountifuls* around, but many of her happiest experiences in the cinema have come from careful selection of choice supporting roles. Woody Allen's *Interiors* offered one such part, and yet another Oscar nomination. In *The Pope of Greenwich Village*, which I confess to not having seen, critics remarked that Geraldine Page stole the film in a couple of scenes. "Oh dear", she says, "you should see *that*. I'm sure you'd love it. Especially me. I'm divine."

London debut

The Westmorland Concerts that the Royal Academy of Music promote each season seem to me to be a far better way for them to spend their money than upon the occasional visit of a highly-paid so-called International Professor, as envisaged in their appeal plans.

One of the most recent of the series has exposed to the London concert arena an artist of real quality. Violinist Tina Gruenberg who, with her experienced young pianist Michael Dussek, gave a refreshingly original and demanding programme ranging from Mozart to Walton and Roger Steptoe.

Steptoe's new Sonata, his second for the violin, is perhaps an acquired taste, the basis of its idiom stretching back to early 20th-century pastoralism (though in no way does the piece sound like pastiche). It is a natural, expansive work, unostentatiously tuneful and reflective rather than intellectually gripping, but undoubtedly difficult for both players.

Gruenberg's rich tone quality, confident technique and instinctive grasp of form saw to it that the Sonata worked well. She and her partner were equally compelling in Beethoven's Sonata Op 12 No 1, in a Mozart Sonata, in Bartok's gritty First Rhapsody and in Walton's lengthy and somewhat sober Sonata of 1950.

Stephen Pettitt

Nasa accused of negligence over Shuttle

From Michael Binyon, Washington

The Rogers Commission report on the explosion of the shuttle Challenger is a devastating indictment of eight years of failure and negligence by senior engineers and managers at Nasa.

Although the report is not due to be presented to President Reagan until Friday, widely-leaked accounts say the commission concluded that the *Challenger* accident "need never have happened" and was the result of Nasa *officials continuing to* let the shuttle fly without correcting known design faults.

The report is said to recommend substantial design changes in future space-craft and instructs Nasa to put safety requirements into every phase of flight.

After four months of investigations, the panel has, as expected, pinned much of the blame for the explosion on the solid-fuel booster rockets. Freezing temperatures at the time of the January 29 launch made one of the rubbery O-ring seals between the rocket segments so stiff that it failed to prevent the escape of burning fuel.

The commission also discovered that one of the segments in the faulty joint had been distorted in a previous launch and was fitted so tightly into the next segment that it could not move under the stress of a launch as it was designed to do. The commission traced difficulties with the seal back to 1978 and noted that the putty-like substance to prevent slippage between the O-rings and the metal segments had never behaved consistently.

The 200-page report recommends redesigning the joint to make it insensitive to temperature, water, ice, and stresses in manufacturing and installation. It also calls for the vertical testing of the rocket, *rather than the past flat-bed* testing, which does not adequately reflect the stresses of a launch firing.

The biting criticism of Nasa management includes the recommendation that astronauts and contractors have a greater say in future launch decisions, thus ensuring that any safety objections are not overruled by the Nasa bureaucracy as they were in January.

In addition, it calls for a more centralized agency structure with the Washington *headquarters having* greater control. The Marshall Centre in Huntsville, Alabama, *where the rocket boosters are* made, is supposedly cited as having developed into an almost independent fiefdom.

The report, not officially made public until Monday, will be a severe blow to the prestige and authority of the troubled space agency even though its conclusions were long foreshadowed.

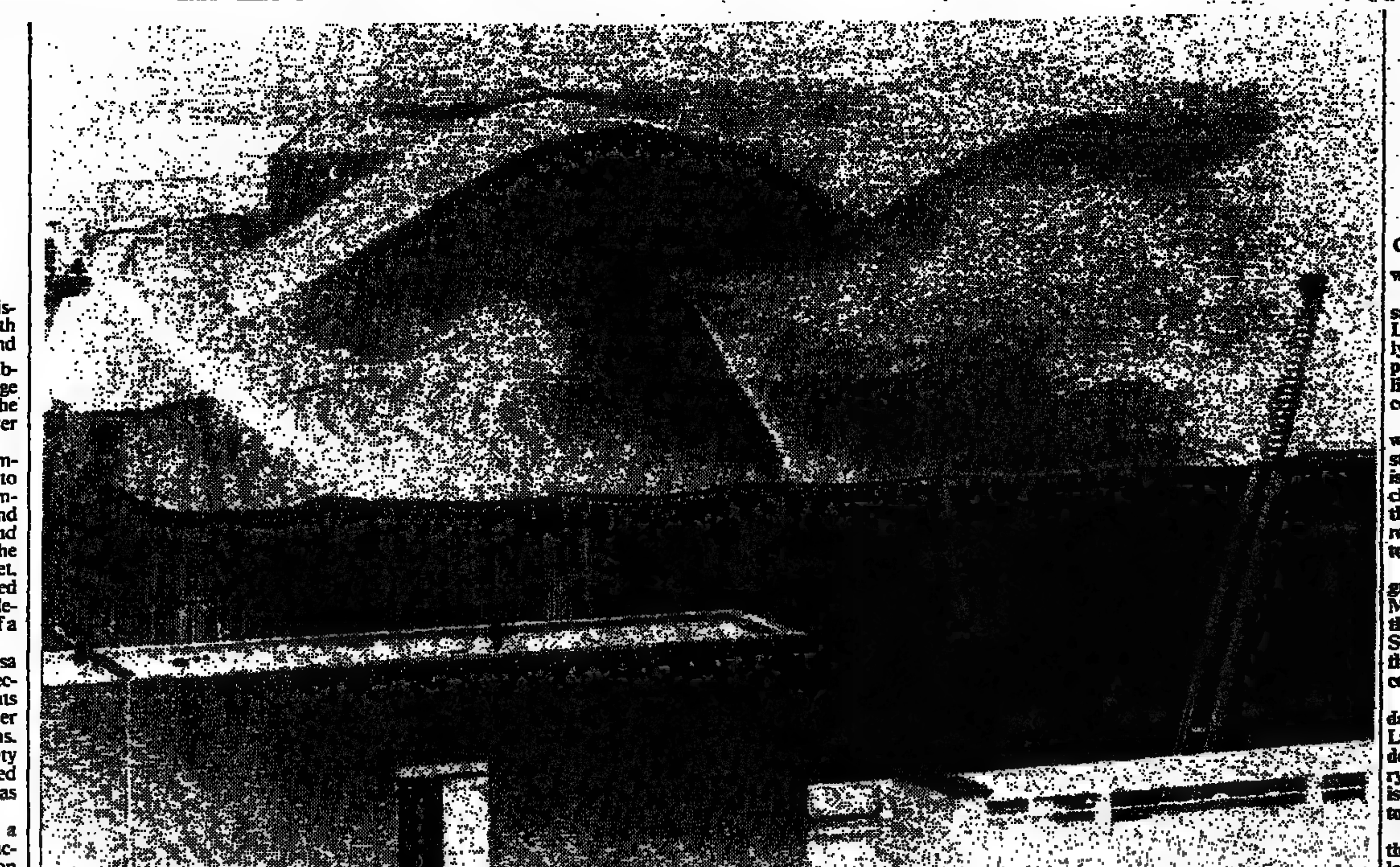
MP defies Commons

The House of Commons has been confronted with another breach of its rules of privilege after a deliberate decision by a *Labour MP* yesterday to make public confidential papers placed before a select committee (*Richard Evans writes*).

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours, MP for Workington and a member of the public accounts committee, gave the documents, relating to savings made by some health authorities, to the Press Association, then informed Mr Bernard Weatherill, Speaker of the Commons, and Mr John Biffen, Leader of the Commons and chairman of the privileges committee.

Mr Colin Webb, PA editor-in-chief, said the item was of *little news value* and would not be used.

Two weeks ago the Commons voted against suspending a journalist from *The Times* for six months for breaching privilege by leaking the confidential draft of a select committee report on radioactive waste.



Firemen still trying yesterday to put out the blaze which began on Monday night at the paper warehouse in south London (Photograph: John Manning).

Police seek gang as warehouse burns on

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that the arsonists could have come from the ranks of extreme left-wing demonstrators who have *espoused the* printers' cause.

A joint statement by the *print unions Sogat '82 and the* National Graphical association said that they were not *involved in the fire*, and that they condemned it if it had been started deliberately. It *deplored statements* by Mr Matthews implicating print workers and called on him to substantiate or withdraw them.

Miss Brenda Dean, the Sogat general secretary, said Mr Matthews' suggestions were "disgraceful", and added: "As far as we are concerned, the print unions and their members will have nothing to do with arson."

Mr Norman Willis, general secretary of the Trades Union Congress, said his views on violence and vandalism were well known: "Such things are anathema to the trade union *movement*."

Last night Det Supt Colin Hawkins, in charge of the *inquiry*, appealed for *more* witnesses to come forward and offered police protection in the *event of reprisal threats*.

He said: "I find it difficult to believe that the whole place could have gone up so quickly in flames without some preparatory work being done first. But this is an expert field and police forensic scientists will be examining it in detail."

From details logged by police so far, it is believed that two men in their late twenties or early thirties carried out the attack while a third man, in his forties, acted as a lookout.

The younger men are believed to have climbed over a wall at the side of lock-up garages in Dacca Street, Deptford, worked their way *along* a taller wall bordering the back gardens of terraced houses, and lobbed *petrol bombs* about 20 yards to the foot of the wooden sliding doors of number 18 shed.

After returning along the same route, they joined the *older man* who had been waiting by the garages and all three sped off towards Evelyn Street in a mauve Mark III Cortina with a beige stripe.

The younger men are described as being about 5'9" and of stocky build. One had blonde collar-length hair and was wearing a bomber jacket. The other, with dark hair, was wearing a knitted green pullover. The older man was balding and wearing a duffle coat.

Witnesses told police of "balls of fire" being lobbed at the warehouse. A woman said she saw two men jump onto the *roofs of the garages and* minutes later an enormous sheet of flame erupting from the warehouse.

Another neighbour spoke of seeing men jumping from the roofs of the garages and being driven away at speed in a dark-coloured Ford. The alarm was raised by Mr Tom Freeman, aged 64, a security officer who said he had heard a big explosion. Mr Tom Smith, a colleague, added: "There was a terrific whoosh and a ball of flame shot through the main gate."

Dozens of local residents were evacuated after first being told to remove curtains in case the intense heat cracked windows and set fire to their homes. Throughout the night, the brigade's fireboat London Phoenix was pumping 26,000 gallons of water from the Thames every three minutes into the heart of the blaze.

Mr Matthews said he was convinced that the arsonists were involved with the print unions: "We saw them yesterday at Wapping; they behaved in a very violent manner, thumping helpless girls. When men thump women just because they are coming into work, I would say they are quite capable of putting a firebomb into this plant."

Company managers said only about 20 per cent of the newsprint destroyed had been destined for News International, which publishes the Times, the Sunday Times, the Sun and the News of the World. All of it was owned and insured by Scandinavian and Canadian suppliers, and the bulk of it was to have gone to other national and provincial newspapers throughout Britain.

Convoy of hippies faces new court bans

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what changes were necessary.

Mr Hurd said that at the same time Lord Hailsham, the Lord Chancellor, was "urgently considering" how civil law procedures could be streamlined to help landowners recover their land more speedily.

He said the Government was, "well aware of the strength of feeling on this issue - and if any further changes in the law beyond those we already propose are required, we *shall not* hesitate to introduce them".

He sought to calm the growing anger of Conservative MPs whose constituencies in the West Country and the South have borne the brunt of the activities of the hippy convoy over several weeks.

The convoy spent a second day on common land near Lyndhurst in the New Forest, defying appeals by the Forestry Commission, which administers the land for the Crown, to leave.

Mr Hurd told the Commons that it was *not* just a criminal law which was being flouted, *after Tory MPs told him* that many vehicles in the convoy were untaxed, uninsured and unroadworthy.

Mr Hurd said: "The other arm of our strategy must be to ensure effective action, *not* just stronger action by the police, but by any other public agency whose rules the convoy flout.

"The convoy is not entitled to special treatment or exemption simply because its members wish to contract out of their responsibilities as citizens."

Yesterday, the convoy was camped over a wide area of shrub and gorse-covered land close to the disused airfield. The police were checking the vehicle and driver documents.

Members of the convoy said they would continue to defy attempts to make them leave, claiming that they had run out of fuel and money, and were short of food.

They said that it was the first time they had properly rested since they were evicted *en masse* from the land of a Somerset farmer who obtained a High Court injunction last Friday.

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Today's events

Royal engagements

The Prince of Wales, President, Business in the Community, attends a reception, Winfield House, NW1 at 7.20

Princess Anne, Patron, the National Union of Townswomen's Guilds, attends the launch of the tapestry for the diamond jubilee at the Chairman's reception, Banqueting House, Whitehall: at 6.45

Princess Margaret opens the Festival of Flowers in Glasgow Cathedral, at 6.

The Duke of Gloucester opens the Museum of East Anglian Life, Stowmarket, 11: and later opens the Y.M.C.A., Ipswich, 2.20.

The Duke of Kent, President, the Automobile Association, opens the International Touring Alliance general assembly, Grosvenor House Hotel, London, 9.45.

The Duchess of Kent attends a gala fashion show, Royal College of Art, SW7, 7.30.

New exhibitions

Out of the Fire: Raku and smoke fired ceramics; Coach House Gallery, Gawthorpe Hall, Padiham: Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends July 1).

From Infancy to Industry: Craft design, education and industry in co-operation; Solihull Central Library Complex; today 11.30 to 2, *tomorrow* 9.30 to 9, Fri and Sat 9.30 to 5 (ends June 7).

19th century antique patchwork quilts, Nicol Centre, Brewery Court, Cirencester, Mon to Fri 10 to 4.30, Sat 10 to 12.30 (ends July 2).

Glass and textiles; Old Fire Station Arts CEntre, Oxford; Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (ends Aug 30).

Exhibitions in progress

Terraria: Exotic Shapes - a profusion of plants; Mid-Pennine Arts Association Gallery, 2 Hammerton St, Burnley; Mon to Fri 9 to 5 (ends June 27).

Studies and paintings by Peter Kinley; Kettle's Yard Gallery, Castle St, Cambridge; Tues to Sat 12.30 to 5.30, Thurs 12.30 to 7, Sun 2 to 5.30 (ends July 6).

Last chance to see

Paintings by Lancelot Ribeiro; Museum and Art Gallery, New Walk, Leicester, 10 to 5.30.

Work by the Royal Photographic Society; Brympton d'Evercy, Yeovil, 2 to 6.

Music

Concert by the Hálle Orchestra with Kyung-Wha Chung (violin); St David's Hall, Cardiff, 7.30.

Organ recital by David Floor; *Holy Trinity Church*, Sandgate Rd, Folkestone, 7.30.

Concert by the Minot State College Choir; Coventry Cathedral, 1.

Concert by the Chillingrian String Quartet; Gardner Centre, Sussex University, Brighton; 7.45.

Harp recital by Vanessa McKeand; St. Mary's, Garsington, Oxon, 8.

Concert by the Reading Festival Chorus and Southern Pro Arte; The Hexagon, Queen's Walk, Reading, 7.30.

Schulze anniversary concert with Noel Rawsthorne (organ): *Ellesmere College, Shropshire*, 7.45.

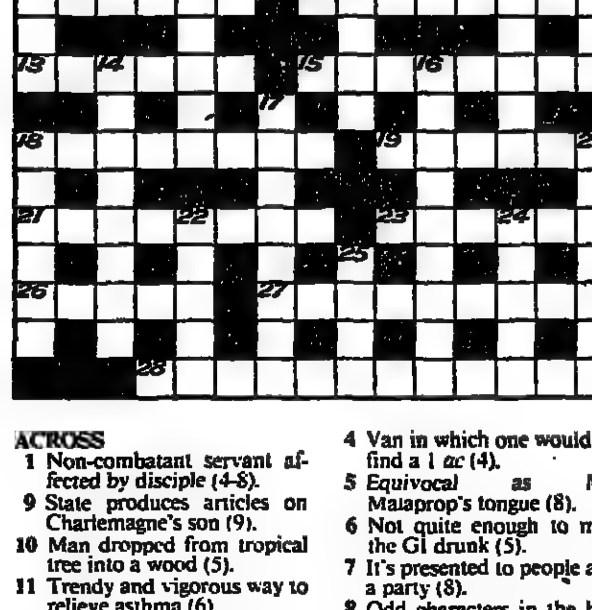
Recital by the Michala Petri Trio; Mere Parish Church, Wiltshire: 7.30.

Organ recital by Philip Sawyer; St. Andrew's and St. George's, *George St, Edinburgh* 1.

Talk

Shropshire authors, by Gordon Dickins; The Guildhall, Much Wenlock, 7.30.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,063



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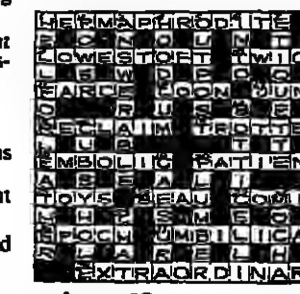
9 State produces articles on Charlemagne's son (9).
10 Man dropped from tropical tree into a wood (5).
11 Trendy and vigorous way to relieve asthma (6).
12 Prepare for publication a treatise to take away (8).
13 A Whig, according to Johnson, giving old soldiers a pound (6).
15 Boy following river could be from Llanelli (8).
18 Tinker admits new novel is slipshod (8).
19 Root for a trivial sum at the end of the act (6).
21 Absent-minded girl's distinguishing feature (8).
23 Greek in old English ship — a monstrous person (6).
26 In "Rigoletto", a dyed-in-the-wood sycophant (5).
27 Paid rates irregularly, being different (9)
28 *The obvious utensil*, might one say, to go with the nursery dish? (7-5).

DOWN

1 Underground worker runs after dog (7).
2 Backchat from fly-by-night outside university? (5).
3 Shooting makes us deaf and sick at heart (9).
4 Van in which one would not find a 1 *ac* (4).
5 *Equivocal* as Mrs. Malaprop's tongue (8).
6 Not quite enough to make the GI drunk (5).
7 It's presented to people after a party (8).
8 Odd characters in the hunt found a German (6).
14 Paper produced by firm in saint's island (8).
16 Varsity athlete on marijuana in Kentucky? (4,5).
17 Unusually pale side of seven stars (8).
18 Composed for engagement in Kent, possibly (6).
20 Airman's bird shown the back door (7).
22 Frost, say, or Thomas of Erceldoune producing this (5).
24 Uplifting holy books are an inspiration to poets (5).
25 Tom loses little time in becoming a consumer (4).

Solution to Puzzle No 17,062



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Books — hardback

The Literary Editor's selection of interesting books published this week

A View of the World, by Norman Lewis (Eland Books, £12.95, paperback £5.95)
Franklin of Philadelphia, by Esmond Wright (Harvard, £12.95)
George Eliot, by Gillian Beer (Harvester, £15.95, paperback £4.95)
Orson Welles, The Rise and Fall of an American Genius, by Charles Higham (New English Library, £12.95)
Oskar Kokoschka, by Frank Whitford (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £15)
Paintings of the British Social Scene, from Hogarth to Sickert, by E.D.H. Johnson (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £20)
Reflections on the Puritan Revolution, by A.L. Rowse (Methuen, £14.95)
The History of the British Coal Industry, Vol. 3, 1830-1913 Victorian Pre-Eminence, by Roy Church (Oxford, £55)
The State of America, by Trevor Fishlock (John Murray, £10.95)
Themes in Roman Satire, by Niall Rudd (Duckworth, £24) PH

The pound

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.24	2.10
Austria Sch	24.75	23.55
Belgium Fr	72.40	68.60
Canada $	2.145	2.045
Denmark Kr	13.09	12.39
Finland Mkk	8.28	7.76
France Fr	11.21	10.66
Germany Dm	3.53	3.35
Greece Dr	224.00	209.00
Hong Kong $	11.90	11.40
Ireland Pt	1.167	1.107
Italy Lira	2415.00	2295.00
Japan Yen	268.00	254.00
Netherlands Gld	3.955	3.765
Norway Kr	11.91	11.31
Portugal Esc	232.50	221.50
South Africa Rd	4.70	3.90
Spain Pta	225	213
Sweden Kr	11.31	10.76
Switzerland Fr	2.93	2.78
USA $	1.555	1.485
Yugoslavia Dnr	575.00	535.00

Rates for small denomination bank notes only as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers' cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 385.3

London: The *FT* index closed up 8.3 at 1322.7

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Building Societies Bill, remaining stages.

Lords (2.30): Debates on criminal legal aid and on Nuffield Foundation report on pharmacy.

Massed bands

The Massed Bands, Pipes and Drums of the Royal Artillery and Women's Royal Army Corps, the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery and the Musketeers and Pikemen of the Honourable Artillery Company will present a Display on Horse *Guards Parade*, Whitehall, on June 10, 11 and 12 at 6.30 pm each evening in aid of the Royal Artillery Charitable Fun and other Service Charities.

Tickets for the display are on sale from The Ticket Centre, 1b Bridge Street, Westminster, London, SW1: Tel: 01-839 6815/6732. Seats available at £5, £4, and £2, standing £1.

Anniversaries

George III, reigned 1760-1820, was born at Norfolk House, London, 1738.

Deaths: William H.R. Rivers, *psychologist and anthropologist*, Cambridge, 1922; F.R. Spofforth, Australian cricketer (the "demon bowler") Ditton Hill Lodge, Surrey, 1926; William II, German Emperor 1888-1918, Doorn, Netherlands, 1941; Dorothy Gish, actress, Rapallo, Italy, 1968; Gyorgy Lukács, philosopher, Budapest, 1971.

Roads

London and South-east: M4: The clockwise slip road from the M25 to the eastbound carriageway is closed at Thorney interchange, near Heathrow; serious congestion expected and a diversion. **The Midlands: M1:** Roadworks continue to affect the M1 between junctions 15 and 16 near Northampton; the southbound exit slip road and the northbound entry slip road at junction 16 are closed. **M6:** Contraflow at junction 4, the turn off for the NEC and Airport, Birmingham, involving a two mile stretch of carriageway; the sliproad from the M42 to the M6 southbound is closed to traffic and the northbound entry sliproad to the M6 from the A446 will be closed weekday mornings from 7 until 9.30. **M5:** Contraflow between junction 4 (Bromsgrove) and 5 (Droitwich); southbound entry *slip road at junction 5* will remain closed until June 5.

The North: M6: Contraflow between junctions 31 and 32 near Preston due to carriageway repairs; traffic joining the southbound carriageway between the M55 and A6 is restricted to single line traffic. **M56:** Contraflow between junctions 6 and 9; expect delays. **A54:** Care is *required at Ketsall Hill due to roadworks* on the new bypass.

Wales and the West: M5: Lane closures N and southbound between junctions 8 and 10, Gloucestershire; delays are likely. **M4:** Various lane restrictions between junctions 21 and 22 (Severn Bridge); delays expected. **A48:** Roadworks at Lydney, near Chepstow, temporary traffic lights; care required.

Scotland: M74: Roadworks between junction 4 (Hamilton interchange) and Three Lark Hall interchange; southbound carriageway closed; contraflow on the northbound carriageway. *A720: City of* Edinburgh. Slip road and junction alterations on the Colinton section of the city bypass at Wester Hailes; delays expected.

Portfolio Gold

Times Portfolio Gold rules are as follows:

1 Times Portfolio is free. Purchase of The Times is not a condition of taking part

2 Times Portfolio list comprises a group of *public companies* whose shares are listed on the Stock Exchange and quoted in The Times Stock Exchange prices page. The companies comprising that list will change from day to day. The list (*which is numbered 1 - 44*) is divided into four randomly distributed groups of 11 shares. Every Portfolio card contains two numbers from each group and each card contains a unique set of numbers.

3 Times portfolio 'dividend' will be the figure in pence which represents the optimum movement in prices (i.e. the largest increase or lowest loss) of a combination of eight (two from each randomly distributed group within the 44 shares) of the 44 shares which on any one day comprise The Times Portfolio list

4 The daily dividend will be announced each day and the weekly *dividend will be announced each* Saturday in The Times.

5 Times Portfolio list and details of the daily or weekly dividend will also be available for inspection at the offices of The Times.

6 If the overall price movement of more than one combination of shares equals the dividend, the prize will be equally divided among the claimants holding those combinations of shares.

7 *All claims are subject to scrutiny* before payment. Any Times Portfolio card that is defaced, tampered with or incorrectly printed in any way will be declared void.

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9 All participants will be subject to these Rules. All instructions on "how to play" and "how to claim" whether published in The Times or in Times Portfolio cards will be deemed to be part of these Rules. The Editor reserves the right to amend the Rules.

10 In any dispute, The Editor's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

11 *If for any reason The Times* Prices Page is not published in the normal way Times Portfolio will be suspended for that day

How to play — Daily Dividend

On each day your unique set of eight numbers will represent commercial and industrial shares published in The Times Portfolio list which will appear on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

In the columns provided next to your shares note the price change (+ or -), in pence, as published in that day's Times.

After listing the price changes of your eight shares for that day, add up all eight share *changes* to give you your overall total plus or minus (+ or -)

Check your overall total against The Times Portfolio dividend published on the Stock Exchange Prices page.

If your overall total matches The Times Portfolio dividend you have won outright or a share of the total prize money stated for that day and must claim your prize as instructed below

How to play — Weekly Dividend

Monday Saturday record your daily Portfolio total.

Add these together to determine your weekly Portfolio total.

If your total matches the published weekly dividend figure you have won outright or a share of the prize money stated for that week, and must claim your prize as instructed below

How to claim

Telephone The Times Portfolio claims line 0254-53272 between 10.00am and 3.30pm, on the day your overall total matches The Times Portfolio Dividend. No claims can be accepted outside these hours.

You must have your card with you when you telephone

If you are unable to telephone someone else can claim on your behalf *but they must have your card and call* The Times Portfolio claims line between the stipulated times.

No responsibility can be accepted for failure to contact the claims office for *any reason within the stated* hours

The above instructions are applicable to both daily and weekly dividend claims.

Weather forecast

A NW airflow covers the British Isles.

6 am to midnight

London, SE, central S, central N England, Midlands: Bright or sunny intervals, scattered light showers; wind NW light or moderate; max temp 17C (63F).

East Anglia, E England: Showers, sunny intervals; wind NW moderate; max temp 16C (61F).

Channel Islands, SW England, Wales, Isle of Man, Northern Ireland: Mostly rather cloudy, outbreaks of rain spreading from the west; wind W or NW light or moderate; max temp 16C (61F).

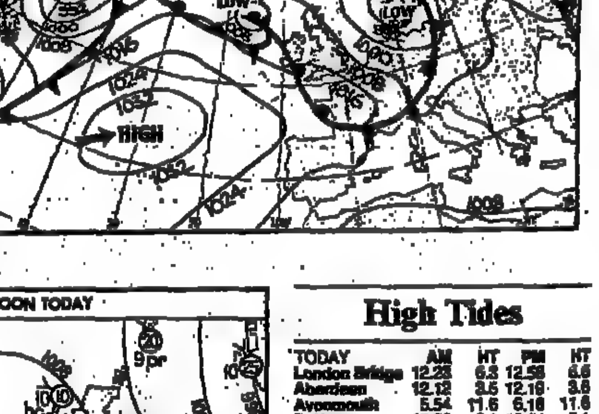
NW England, Lake District, SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll: Bright or sunny intervals, scattered showers dying out; wind NW light or moderate; max temp 15C (59F).

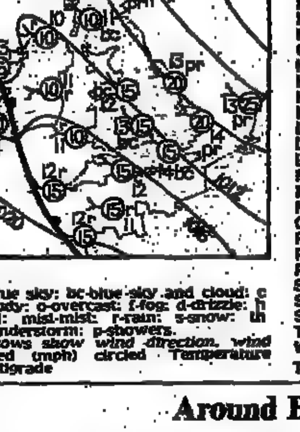
NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands: Showers, sunny intervals; wind NW moderate becoming light; max temp 16C (61F).

Moray Firth, NE Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Sunny intervals, scattered showers; wind NW or N light; max temp 14C (57F).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday: Cloudy with rain in the W spreading to most remaining parts. Temperatures rather below normal.

Sun Rises: 4.47 am **Sun Sets:** 9.11 pm
Moon rises: 3.12 am **Moon sets:** 6.17 pm
New Moon: June 7





b-blue sky; bc-blue sky and cloud; c-cloudy; o-overcast; f-fog; d-drizzle; h-hail; mist-mist; r-rain; s-snow; th-thunderstorm; p-showers. *Arrows show wind direction, wind* speed (mph) circled. Temperature centigrade

Lighting-up time

London 9.41 pm to 4.17 am
Bristol 9.51 pm to 4.28 am
Edinburgh 10.20 pm to 4.02 am
Manchester 10.01 pm to 4.14 am
Penzance 9.56 pm to 4.45 am

Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun.

		C	F			C	F
Belfast	f	14	57	Guernsey	fg	11	52
B'rmgham	r	14	57	Inverness	f	9	48
Blackpool	c	11	52	Jersey	d	13	55
Bristol	d	12	54	London	r	15	59
Cardiff	c	11	52	M'nchster	c	11	52
Edinburgh	f	13	55	Newcastle	c	13	55
Glasgow	c	12	54	R'nldsway	f	12	54

High Tides

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	12.23	6.3	12.58	6.6
Aberdeen	12.12	3.5	12.19	3.8
Avonmouth	5.54	11.6	6.18	11.6
Belfast	10.00	3.1	10.24	3.1
Cardiff	5.39	10.8	6.03	10.8
Devonport	4.19	4.8	4.49	4.9
Dover	10.05	5.8	10.17	6.0
Falmouth	3.49	4.6	4.19	4.7
Glasgow	11.38	4.2		
Harwich	11.01	3.7	11.12	3.7
Holyhead	9.13	4.9	9.44	4.8
Hull	5.20	6.3	5.20	6.6
Ilfracombe	4.42	7.8	5.06	7.8
Leith	1.20	4.9	1.36	5.0
Liverpool	10.04	8.8	10.31	8.3
Lowestoft	8.46	2.2	8.31	2.2
Margate	11.14	4.3	11.13	4.3
Milford Haven	4.57	6.0	5.28	6.0
Newquay	3.52	6.0	4.17	6.0
Oban	4.36	3.4	5.01	3.3
Penzance	3.25	4.8	3.53	4.9
Portland	5.22	1.6	5.54	1.7
Portsmouth	10.25	4.1	10.44	4.3
Shoreham	10.08	6.2	10.28	5.5
Southampton	9.59	3.9	10.20	4.1
Swansea	5.06	8.2	5.30	8.3
Tees	2.38	4.6	2.45	4.8
W'ton-on-Nze	10.43	3.6	10.55	3.7

Tide measured in metres: 1m=3.2808ft.

Around Britain

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
EAST COAST					
Scarboro	0.5	.03	16	61	bright
Bridlington	0.2	.04	15	59	cloudy
Cromer	—	—	15	59	cloudy
Lowestoft	0.1	.01	15	59	dull
Clacton	0.1	.01	13	55	cloudy
Margate	—	.03	14	57	dull
SOUTH COAST					
Folkestone	0.5	.04	14	57	dull
Hastings	—	—	14	57	cloudy
Eastbourne	1.3	—	18	64	cloudy
Brighton	0.2	.02	16	61	dull
Worthing	0.4	—	18	64	cloudy
Littlehmptn	0.5	—	21	70	dull
Bognor R	0.4	.04	21	70	cloudy
Southsea	0.2	.05	19	66	cloudy
Sandown	x				
Shanklin	—	.09	19	66	cloudy
Bournemouth	0.5	—	20	68	bright
Poole	0.9	—	20	68	cloudy
Swanage	0.1	—	19	66	bright
Weymouth	1.9	—	18	64	cloudy
Exmouth	2.1	—	19	66	bright
Teignmouth	3.3	—	20	68	cloudy
Torquay	1.9	—	20	68	bright
Falmouth	5.0	—	20	68	bright
Penzance	6.5	—	19	66	sunny
Jersey	0.2	—	18	64	cloudy
Guernsey	0.5	—	17	63	cloudy
WEST COAST					
Scilly Isles	1.2	—	17	63	bright
Newquay	1.6	—	19	66	bright

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Ilfracombe	1.0	—	15	59	dull
Tenby	3.0	—	17	63	bright
Colwyn Bay	x				
Morecambe	5.4	—	16	61	bright
Douglas	6.1	—	17	63	sunny
ENGLAND AND WALES					
London	—	—	[illegible]	68	cloudy
B'ham Airpt	2.8	—	18	64	bright
Bristol (Ctrl)	3.1	—	20	68	sunny
Cardiff (Ctrl)	4.6	—	18	64	bright
Anglesey	5.0	—	16	61	drizzle
B'pool Airpt	1.6	—	15	59	rain
Manchester	—	—	14	57	drizzle
Nottingham	1.6	—	17	[illegible]	bright
N'ctl-n-Tyne	7.2	—	20	[illegible]	sunny
Carlisle	4.8	—	17	63	bright
SCOTLAND					
Eskdalemuir	9.3	—	19	[illegible]	sunny
Prestwick	4.2	.02	16	61	sunny
Glasgow	3.5	—	16	61	bright
Tiree	—	.05	12	54	rain
Stornoway	1.2	.09	12	54	rain
Lerwick	—	.04	10	50	rain
Wick	0.5	.05	14	57	rain
Kinloss	5.8	.02	18	64	rain
Aberdeen	4.1	.02	18	64	rain
St. Andrews	6.9	—	21	70	bright
Edinburgh	7.4	—	18	64	sunny
NORTHERN IRELAND					
Belfast	7.5	—	20	68	sunny

These are Monday's figures

Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; h, hail; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; th, thunder

		C	F			C	F			C	F			C	F
Ajaccio	s	21	70	Cologne	r	17	63	Majorca	s	24	75	Rome	f	21	70
Akrotiri	s	28	82	C'phagn	c	13	55	Malaga	f	23	73	Salzburg	c	13	55
Alex'dria*	s	28	82	Corfu	s	25	77	Malta	s	26	79	S Paulo*	s	18	64
Algiers	s	22	72	Dublin	r	13	55	Melb'rne	f	15	59	S F'risco*	c	16	61
Amst'dm	c	14	57	Dubrvnk	s	21	70	Mexico C*	c	22	72	Santiago*	c	10	50
Athens	s	27	81	Faro	s	24	75	Miami*	f	31	88	Seoul	s	26	79
Bahrain*	s	36	97	Florence	s	19	66	Milan	s	20	68	Sing'por*	f	31	88
Barbads*	s	30	86	Frankfurt	f	18	64	Montreal*	q	12	54	Stcholm	dr	11	52
Barcelna	f	23	73	Funchal	c	18	64	Moscow	f	28	82	Strasb'rg	f	17	63
Beirut				Geneva	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Munich	f	14	57	Sydney	f	17	63
Belgrade	s	22	72	Gibraltar	[illegible]	20	68	Nairobi	c	23	73	Tangier	c	23	73
Berlin	c	15	59	Helsinki	r	15	59	Naples	f	23	73	Tel Aviv	s	28	82
Bermuda*	f	25	77	Hong K	f	28	82	N Delhi	s	35	95	Tenerife	f	22	72
Biarritz	c	17	63	Innsbrck	c	15	59	N York*	f	17	63	Tokyo	c	23	73
Boul'ne	fg	11	52	Istanbul	s	26	79	Nice	s	21	70	Toronto*	s	13	55
Borde'x	f	20	68	Jeddah				Oslo	f	14	57	Tunis	s	24	75
Brussels	c	16	61	Jo'burg*	f	19	66	Paris	c	19	66	Valencia	s	25	77
Budapst	c	17	63	Karachi	f	33	91	Peking	s	33	91	Vanc'ver*	s	14	57
B.Aires*	s	17	63	L Palmas	c	21	70	Perth	s	19	66	Venice	f	19	66
Cairo*	s	33	91	Lisbon	s	24	75	Prague	r	13	55	Vienna	f	17	63
Cape Tn	f	15	59	Locarno	f	21	70	Reykjvk	r	6	43	Warsaw	r	17	63
C'blanca	c	18	64	Luxembg	r	14	57	Rhodes	s	26	79	Wash'ton*	f	21	70
Chicago*	d	15	59	L Angels*	c	18	64	Riyadh	s	42	108	W'lngtn*	c	11	52
Ch'chch*	s	9	48	Madrid	s	25	77	Rio de J	c	21	70	Zurich	s	19	66

* denotes Monday's figures are latest available

Stroke campaign

The National Stroke Campaign, initiated by The Chest, Heart and Stroke Association to enlighten and educate the public *on the prevention* and treatment of strokes and to raise funds for urgently needed research, was launched in London yesterday.

For information of a medical nature, contact Sir David Atkinson, Director-General, The Chest, Heart and Stroke Association, Tavistock House North, Tavistock Square, WC1 9JE: tel: 01-387 3012. General enquiries to Miss Judy Kay, Campaign Director, CHSA, also at the above address. For enquiries outside London: **Edinburgh:** Mrs Morag Younie - (031) 225 6963: **Belfast:** Mr Andrew Dougal (0232) 230184; **Cardiff:** Mrs Sue Richards (0792) 202046: **Manchester:** Mr Duncan Macdonald (0625) 525196.

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

STOCK MARKET
FT 30 Share 1320.4 (+4.0)
FT-SE 100 1602.2 (+5.7)
USM (Datastream) 120.57 (+0.23)

THE POUND
US Dollar 1.4925 (+0.0185)
W German mark 3.3962 (–0.0257)
Trade-weighted 76.1 (–0.2)

Dollar's fall boosts hopes of early cut in base rates

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

A sharp dollar fall boosted the pound by two cents yesterday and raised hopes that base rates will soon be cut from their 10 per cent level.

Some dealers expect a cut in rates to 9.5 per cent – a level last seen in December 1984 – before the end of the week. But others expect the authorities to wait until the publication of economic data next week, including the May money supply figures and the retail price index.

Money market interest rates edged down by ⅛ or 1/16 points, continuing the downward trend of recent days. The three-month interbank rate fell to a mid-range 9¾ per cent.

The dollar was heavily sold yesterday, after a number of recent comments suggesting that its value would fall. Among these were statements from Dr Clayton Yeutter, the US President's trade representative, and Mr Martin Feldstein, former chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Mr Paul Volcker, the chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, said at the International Monetary Conference in Boston, Massachusetts, that there had been no detailed international discussions about stabilizing the dollar at present levels, and this led to further selling.

The dollar dropped through the 2.30 level against the mark, closing nearly five pfennigs down at 2.2755. Against the yen, the dollar fell to 171.70, compared with 174.90 overnight, and the 177 level reached in Far East trading on Monday.

The pound rose by 1.85 cents to 1.4925 against the weak dollar. However, sterling lost more than two pfennigs to close at 3.3985 against the mark which, with the yen was the chief beneficiary of dollar weakness. The sterling index fell by 0.2 to 76.1.

The pound was helped by figures showing an underlying rise of $138 million (£92.5 million) in Britain's gold and foreign currency reserves in May, the fifth consecutive monthly increase.

The reserves stood at $19,166 million (£13,016 million) at the end of May, the highest level since February 1982. The cumulative rise in the first five months of the year was $924 million, virtually offsetting the $941 million fall in the final three months of last year, when the Bank of England intervened heavily in the foreign exchange markets to support the pound and drive the dollar down.

In assessing base rate prospects, dealers have paid particular attention to sterling's rate against the mark, as well as the inflation figures.

Yesterday's dip below DM3.40 for the pound, unless it is the beginning of a sharp decline by sterling against the mark, is unlikely to prevent lower base rates in Britain, while the May inflation figures, due at the end of next week, are expected to show the rate down to 2.5 per cent, from 3 per cent in April.

West German growth resumes

The West German economy is recovering, after a winter pause in growth. Industrial output rose by 1.3 per cent in April, it was announced yesterday. This came after a 1 per cent decline in March.

The country's real gross national product declined by about 0.5 per cent in the first three months compared with the final quarter of 1985, according to provisional estimates. The GNP in the first quarter was about 2 per cent higher than in the corresponding period of last year.

This pause in growth, which accompanied the sharp slide in world oil prices, appears to have been common to several countries, including Britain. The April industrial production figures, while probably exaggerated by the scale of the March decline, point to a resumption of strong growth in the second quarter.

Manufacturing output rose by 1.5 per cent and construction spending increased by 13 per cent. Industrial production in April was 2.8 per cent above a year earlier.

Figures due out today are thought to show a large April trade surplus. The expectations are for a DM10 billion (£2.9 billion) trade surplus – nearly twice the DM5.49 billion surplus achieved in April last year.

Bid query by Biddle

Biddle Holdings, the lift, heating and air-conditioning company, yesterday called on the Myson heating firm to clarify its intentions. Myson said on Friday that it might top the agreed offer of 160p a share last month from Kone, the Finnish group.

Mr Ray Wheeler, the Myson chairman, said he wanted more information on Biddle's heating operations, which would fit in with Myson's main interests.

Biddle directors, representing 55 per cent of the shares, have already accepted Kone's offer. But the group's fate will be effectively decided when the other shareholders vote on Friday.

Hanson leaps

Hanson Trust increased profits from £106 million to £158 million before tax in the six months to March 31. Turnover rose from £1.48 billion to £1.55 billion and the interim dividend is up from 1.1p to 1.4p. Tempus, page 23

Norcros jump

Norcros, the building materials company, boosted pretax profits from £34.3 million to £45.1 million in the year to March 31. Turnover rose from £348 million to £602 million. Tempus, page 23

Sketchley lift

Sketchley, the dry-cleaner, reported pretax profits up 16 per cent to £11.6 million for the year to March 28 on turnover down 2 per cent to £153 million. The dividend was increased by 14 per cent to 17.5p net. Tempus, page 23

Water protest

The Water Authorities Association, has told the Government the industry cannot support privatization unless crucial issues like pensions and land drainage are dealt with urgently. Details, page 24

First for Rolls

Rolls-Royce, the state-owned aero-engine group, has won its first order – worth up to £350 million – for its latest fuel-efficient RB-211 engine. Cathay Pacific has chosen the engine for a new fleet of Boeing 747-400 aircraft.

Wine loss

Rothmans International's troubled Canadian brewing subsidiary, Carling O'Keefe, has sold its wine subsidiary, Jordan & Ste-Michelle Cellars, at a loss for Can$30 million (£14.5 million).

38% pay rise

Mr Philip Birch, the chairman and managing director of the Ward White Group, was paid £225,000 last year, an increase of 38 per cent. Ward White's profits were up by 82 per cent to £26 million.

Store scheme

Bentalls, the department store chain, is to seek planning permission next month for the £110 million redevelopment with Norwich Union, the insurance company, of its store at Kingston, south-west London.

Clayform pays £85m for Samuel

By Judith Huntley

Clayform Properties has made an agreed £85.9 million offer for Samuel Properties, the old-established property investment company.

There is a shares and cash offer which values Samuel's shares at 257.4p, compared with a new net asset value of 282p per share.

Samuel Properties' board is unanimously recommending the offer and Clayform has acceptances for 50.6 per cent of its shares. The acquisition gives Clayform an asset base and allows it to fund larger projects.

Shareholders are being offered 759 new Clayform shares, 100 new Clayform warrants and £600 cash for 1,000 Samuel Properties shares.

There is an additional cash alternative which will cost Clayform £22 million. The offer is being underwritten by Samuel Montagu.

Clayform is buying Samuel without two of its key holdings. Mountleigh, the fast-growing property company, is paying £57.8 million for a portfolio of properties which Samuel recently bought from Lonrho for £53 million.

Only two investment properties, costing £8.7 million, will be kept. The rest of the portfolio will be sold.

Mountleigh is also to buy Samuel Properties' Effra site at Vauxhall, overlooking the Thames, for a large residential development.

Samuel has revalued its portfolio, which is heavily weighted to suburban London offices. The sale of the Effra site and the Lonrho portfolio will net £8 million in profits.

Other factors bring the net asset value to 282p per share, a 15.9 per cent increase over Samuel's market price the day before it announced the bid approach in April.

Clayform, a specialist retail developer, has an £80 million development programme. The company is now taking steps to bring the enlarged group to the market for a full listing.

Clayform, which came to the Unlisted Securities Market last year, intends changing its name to Clayform Samuel Properties.

B & C buys 55% stake in Premier

By Alison Eadie

British & Commonwealth Shipping has added another business to its rapidly expanding financial services division by taking a 55 per cent stake in Premier Portfolio.

Premier, formed last year from a management buy-out of a division of Avco Trust, manages blocks of mortgages for financial institutions and is also a secured lender particularly in the second mortgage market.

Mr John Gunn, a director of B & C, said yesterday: "We are continuing to develop our financial services and we are very excited by the prospects which our investment in Premier offers." No price has been put on the deal, but the company is understood to have paid about £3 million for its stake.

Last month it expanded its financial services division by buying a controlling stake in Stock Beech, the stockbroker.

Mr Adrian Bloomfield, managing director of Premier, said he expects B & C to be an active investor, even though it will not be involved in the day-to-day running of the company.

Oppenheim indicates Aitken Hume plans

By Our City Staff

Mr Nicholas Oppenheim, the financier, yesterday issued the formal offer document in his £91 million bid for the Aitken Hume financial services company, and said he would probably call in the Edinburgh Fund Management group to manage Aitken's Sentinel funds if the bid succeeded.

Mr Oppenheim already has close connections with the Edinburgh group – he is on the board of two of its investment trusts, while an Edinburgh director, Mr Alexander Cassels, is on the board of the hosiery manufacturer Tranwood, the quoted vehicle which Mr Oppenheim is using to make his all-paper bid for Aitken.

In addition, Edinburgh joined Allied Dunbar, Robert Fleming and other institutions in taking a stake in Tranwood when Mr Oppenheim led a refinancing operation for the group in February.

Aitken Hume has rejected the bid, and yesterday repeated its view that Tranwood is "little more than a shell company".

More Pritchard sales

By Our City Staff

Pritchard Services Group, which is fighting a hostile £145 million bid from Mr Michael Ashcroft's Hawley Group, yesterday announced the disposal of two further assets.

It is selling its minority interest in ACE Cleaning Enterprises, which provides hospital support services in Saudi Arabia, for up to £1.7 million.

The buyers are a Saudi prince and Waste Management International. The group will also earn $900,000 (£610,000) from the sale of a New York property.

On Monday Pritchard disclosed that it was selling Kimberley Services, an American employment agency, for $21.5 million (£14.5 million).

Mr Michael Pritchard, the chairman, said the sales would reduce borrowing.

Leigh in £6m cash call

By Richard Lander

Leigh Interests, the Walsall waste disposal group, yesterday asked shareholders for £6.2 million to reduce group borrowings which ballooned after last year's purchase of MJI Corporation for £4.4 million.

The cash call, via a rights issue of convertible preference shares on a two-for-five basis at 100p, will reduce the group's gearing ratio from 132 to 55 per cent.

Leigh also announced its results for the year to March 31. Pretax profits increased from £1.9 million to £3.4 million. However, the higher interest charges and new shares resulting from the MJI purchase left earnings per share only 11 per cent higher at 6.9p. The final dividend was raised from 1p to 2.45p

Seven bid to build Thames crossing

By Jeremy Warner
Business Correspondent

Seven groups of construction companies and banks have submitted proposals to the Government for building a new crossing of the Thames at Dartford, Kent, for £100 million or more.

The Department of Transport expects to announce the award of the contract by early August. Under government plans to privatize the crossing, the successful candidate will take over the two existing tunnels and their debt from Kent and Essex county councils, and privately finance the construction of a third crossing.

Kent and Essex county councils have also submitted proposals. All seven private sector consortia believe their schemes will eliminate traffic congestion on the M25 around Dartford. The seven and their proposals are:

- Costain and Tarmac – an immersed precast concrete tube crossing.
- The Dartford Bridge Group, backed by Sir Robert McAlpine – a bridge.
- The Dartford Joint Venture, consisting of Balfour Beatty and Taylor Woodrow – an immersed precast concrete tube.
- The Dartford Tunnel Group, a consortium of John Mowlem and the Dutch construction group, Volker Stevin – an immersed precast concrete tube.
- Eurobridge – a bridge crossing similar to its unsuccessful bid for the Channel fixed link project.
- Laing, Christiani, and Seven Seas – an immersed tube or a bridge.
- Trafalgar House – either a bored tunnel or bridge link.

Mr David Mitchell, transport minister, said that each proposal would be subjected to a detailed technical and financial assessment so as to select the candidate likely to give best value for money to the public.

Necessary enabling legislation for the project would be introduced at the earliest opportunity.

All seven consortia expect to finance part of the cost of constructing the third link out of tolls on the existing tunnels.

Opponents of the scheme, including the Commons select committee on transport, have argued that the continuation of tolls at Dartford will create congestion and problems elsewhere on the M25

MPs give warning on Royal Ordnance privatization

By Teresa Poole

An all-party committee of MPs gave a warning yesterday that proper consideration must be given to the interests of the taxpayer in the forthcoming privatization of Royal Ordnance.

The Committee of Public Accounts, the watchdog on Government spending, is worried that factors other than price could determine the precise timing of privatization. Officially, the company is to be sold "this summer," but the share sale is widely expected to be in July so that it does not run into the privatization of British Gas.

In a report on the incorporation, in January, 1985, of the Royal Ordnance Factories into a public limited company, the committee says it is "surprised" that an opening balance sheet has not yet been published as this would enable the company's value to be assessed.

It wants this information to be made available before privatization and in time for effective Parliamentary scrutiny.

Royal Ordnance's annual report for 1985 will be published next week, but Mr Robert Sheldon, the Labour chairman of the committee, said yesterday that this would not allow sufficient time and would make a "nonsense" of Parliamentary scrutiny.

He added: "I am very concerned that this isn't rushed through. Getting value for money must be the most important aspect, rather than any convenience of fitting into the privatization schedule."

Part of the reason for the delay in publishing a balance sheet is believed to have been the time taken to sort out a big liability on a contract which went wrong. Next week's balance sheet is expected to show provisions to cover the loss.

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Mercury International raises ready $200m

Mercury International Group, the City financial conglomerate which owns SG Warburg, the merchant bank, yesterday increased its capital resources through its first operation in international capital markets. The issue of $200 million (£136 million) in floating rate notes is the first long-term debt capital the company has raised. It is also one of the largest capital-raising exercises in this sector.

The issue was originally set at $150 million, but strong demand persuaded Mercury to raise the amount by $50 million. The notes, which carry a 20-year maturity to July 2006, will leave Mercury with capital of around £500 million.

Mr David Scholey, the chairman, said that the issue would give Mercury "additional capital resources in a form to be readily and flexibly deployed in the expansion of our business".

The proceeds are likely to be divided between the securities and banking operations of the group, whose securities operation in Tokyo began trading on the Tokyo stock exchange yesterday.

Mr Michael Gore, group finance director, said that additional capital was also necessary because it was still unclear how the capital requirements of financial conglomerates would be regulated.

Until that uncertainty was removed it was useful to have a flexible reserve of capital which could be deployed to satisfy any future capital requirements.

The new issue will raise Mercury's capital to roughly the same level as Kleinwort Benson's, one of the rival financial conglomerates emerging in London ahead of big bang in October.

Mr Gore said that it also brought Mercury up to the level of many United States securities houses which are taking an increasingly large part in London markets.

"They have large US operations to support and we now feel able to hold our own against them elsewhere in the world", Mr Gore said.

He added that although a large part of the floating rate issue would be used to support Mercury's securities operations, it could just as easily be used to back banking operations. Mercury had decided not to issue a perpetual floating rate note, which would have ranked as primary rather than secondary capital, because a conventional issue would produce more money at finer rates.

The issue, which is lead managed by SG Warburg and guaranteed by Mercury, carries a coupon of 0.25 per cent above the London interbank mean rate.

Broker to the issue is Rowe & Pitman, the firm owned by Mercury. Front end commissions amount to 0.65 per cent, including 0.25 per cent for underwriting and commission and 0.4 per cent selling concession.

Still no glister

The last two or three years have been disappointing for gold enthusiasts and if Consolidated Gold Fields' latest market review, *Gold 1986*, is a guide, this year will not offer much comfort. George Milling-Stanley, the new author of the survey, has continued the admirable tradition of lucid comprehensiveness which has made it the bible of the business, but he is unable to predict either the price increase or the volatility which the market craves.

At $317 an ounce, the gold price in 1986 was the lowest since 1979; volatility, or the range within which gold traded, was the lowest since 1977. The supply of new gold to the non-Communist private sector fell for the first time since 1980, from 1,439 tonnes to 1,288 tonnes. Identified investment holdings of bullion, the clearest indication of how speculators view the market, declined from 328 tonnes in 1984 to 308 tonnes.

But, to be fair, these figures conceal subtle shifts in the market, some of which are welcome. Stimulated by a price which is still well above average Western production costs of $206 an ounce before depreciation ($254 after depreciation), mine production rose from 1,149 tonnes to 1,213 tonnes, the highest for 14 years.

South African output was 10 tonnes lower at 673 tonnes, or 55 per cent of the total, but the difference was made up by burgeoning mines in North America, Australia and Brazil. Communist sales to the West were virtually the same at 210 tonnes.

The gap between higher mine output and a lower supply to the private sector is largely explained by central banks and other official agencies reversing their earlier policy to become net buyers in 1985 of 135 tonnes of gold.

So far in 1986, the gold price has averaged $343 an ounce, largely because of a spurt induced by the oil price collapse early in the year. But if the price should dip this year, official purchases could pick up again, further straining the supply to the private sector.

That strain chiefly arises from the impressive strength of demand for jewellery. Consumption of gold in electronics and coins was down sharply last year, in the latter case because the poor price deterred investors and there was political resistance to the now-discontinued Krugerrands.

But jewellery devoured 513 tonnes against 443 tonnes, the main reason being high earnings in countries such as India as well as developed nations and the depreciation of the dollar, which gave a particular filip to the booming Japanese market.

Several years of capital losses on gold and the relative attraction of financial instruments and stock markets have knocked the shine off gold. But for gold bugs, the encouraging aspect is that the price is holding reasonably steady, supported by buying below $330.

Physical demand has been the key to the market, even if the actual source changes from year to year. In 1986, for example, Japan has bought 200 tonnes for coins to celebrate the emperor. Patience in the gold market may yet pay off.

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MARKET SUMMARY

STOCK MARKETS

New York	
Dow Jones	1855.49 (–6.46)
Tokyo	
Nikkei Dow	16669.54 (–89.73)
Hong Kong:	
Hang Seng	1757.91 (–24.03)
Amsterdam: Gen	290.2 (–2.1)
Sydney: AO	1220.5 (–8.4)
Frankfurt:	
Commerzbank	1901.6 (–61.3)
Brussels:	
General	618.52 (–2.49)
Paris: CAC	359.1 (–6.7)
Zurich:	
SKA General	530.10 (–1.30)

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CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.4925	£: $1.4945
£: DM3.3962	$: DM2.2725
£: SwFr2.8069	$: Index 76.1
£: FFr10.8169	
£: Yen256.26	ECU £0.631982
£: Index 117.3	SDR £0.772674

INTEREST RATES

London:
Bank Base: 10%
3-month Interbank 9⅞-9 11/16%
3-month eligible bills: 9⅞-9 5/16% buying rate
US:
Prime Rate 8.50%
Federal Funds 6 11/16%
3-month Treasury Bills 6.40-6.38%
30-year bonds 92 22/32-92 26/32

MAIN PRICE CHANGES

RISES:	
Allied-Lyons	341p (+8p)
BP	580p (+10p)
Tate & Lyle	585p (+15p)
Scott & Robertson	170p (+27p)
N Brown Investments	605p (+20p)
NSS Newsagents	210p (+28p)
J Menzies	308p (+13p)
Longton Industrial	213p (+13p)
Oxford Instruments	515p (+12p)
Rotaflex	385p (+29p)
Siebe	990p (+20p)
APV	615p (+14p)
Bowthorpe Holdings	535p (+10p)
First Leisure Corp	345p (+13p)
Hazlewoods	848p (+20p)
De La Rue	1020p (+25p)
Body Shop	630p (+30p)
Pentland Industries	740p (+15p)
Booker	343p (+12p)
Wight Collins	485p (+20p)
Mountview Estates	640p (+45p)
Samuel Properties	257p (+24p)
Clayform	281p (+20p)
FALLS:	
Blue Circle	661p (–15p)
IT Group	530p (–17p)
Geevor	23p (–16p)
Tricentrol	56p (–8p)

GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $341.85 pm $342.20
close $341.50-342.00 (£228.50-229.00)
New York:
Comex $341.70-342.20

WALL STREET

New York (Agencies) — Shares declined in early trading yesterday, extending a spate of profit-taking into the third consecutive session. Investors were mildly encouraged by the slight drop in interest rates on bond markets in the morning. But they were expecting no dramatic changes in rates.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell by 8.75 points to 1,853.20. Declining shares outnumbered rising ones by six to five on a volume of 12 million shares. John Blair Co led the list of active stocks, up by ⅝ to 27¼. Reliance Capital has offered $27 a share, plus the offer of a direct mail unit, to shareholders. This tops an offer from Macfadden.

On Monday, shares finished broadly lower as a flurry of selling late in the afternoon sent the market plunging in the final half-hour. The industrial average closed 14.75 points lower at 1,861.95.

	Jun 02	May 30
AMR	57⅝	58⅝
ASA	35	35½
Allied Signal	44⅝	45¼
Allied Strs	44½	45
Allis Chlmrs	5⅛	5⅛
Alcoa	40⅝	41
Amax Inc	14⅞	15⅝
Am rda Hs	21⅛	21⅝
Am Brands	86⅝	86⅝
Am Can	73⅝	73⅝
Am Cynm'd	75⅝	77
Am El Pwr	25½	25⅝
Am Express	62	62½
Am Home	85½	86⅝
Am Motors	4	4⅛
Am St'nrd	40½	41½
Am Teleph	24½	25¼
Amoco	64	63⅝
Armco Steel	9⅝	9⅝
Asarco	18	18⅝
Ashland Oil	55⅝	55⅝
At Richfield	55½	55⅝
Avon Prods	34⅝	34½
Bkrs Tst NY	50⅝	50⅝
Bankamer	16⅛	16
Bk of Bston	38½	38⅝
Bank of NY	65⅝	66⅝
Beth Steel	15½	16½
Boeing	57⅝	58⅝
Bse Cascde	58½	59½
Brden	63⅝	64
Bg Warner	29	28⅝
Brist Myers	79½	80½
BP	34⅝	34⅝
Burl'ton Ind	37½	38
Burl'ton Nrn	65⅝	65½
Burroughs	59⅝	59⅝
Cmpbell Sp	58⅝	58
Can Pacific	12⅝	13
Caterpiller	53⅝	54¼
Celanese	225	231⅝
Central SW	29⅝	30⅝
Champion	26⅝	27
Chase Man	42½	43⅝
Chm Bk NY	52⅝	53⅝
Chevron	40½	40½
Chrysler	38⅝	37⅝
Citicorp	61½	62
Clark Equip	20⅝	21⅝
Coca Cola	113¼	115⅝
Colgate	39⅝	39⅝
CBS	134	134⅝
C'mbla Gas	41⅝	40⅝
Cmb'tn Eng	33½	33¼
Comwlth Ed	30⅝	30⅝
Cons Edis	43⅝	43⅝
Cn Nat Gas	54½	54⅝
Cons Power	12¼	12¼
Cntrl Data	26⅝	26⅝
Corning Gl	70⅝	72⅝
CPC Intl	67	68⅝
Crane	33	33⅝
Crn Zeller	44¼	45⅝
Dart & Kraft	58⅝	58⅝
Deere	29⅝	29⅝
Delta Air	44½	44⅝
Detroit Ed	16⅝	17
Digital Eq	91¼	91½
Disney	47⅝	47⅝
Dow Chem	56⅝	55½
Dresser Ind	17½	18½
Duke Power	42⅝	42¼
Du Pont	84⅝	84⅝
Eastern Air	9⅛	9⅛
Estm Kodak	59⅝	60½
Eaton Corp	70⅝	71
Emerson El	87⅝	87⅝
Exxon Corp	58⅝	59⅝
Fed Dpt Sts	82⅝	82⅝

	Jun 02	May 30
Firestone	24	24½
Fst Chicago	34⅝	34⅝
Fst Int Bncp	63⅝	64½
Fst Penn C	8⅝	8⅝
Ford	80⅝	80½
FT Wachva	43½	43⅝
GAF Corp	35⅝	36⅝
GTE Corp	49⅝	50⅝
Gen Corp	72⅝	72
Gen Dy'mcs	80⅝	79⅝
Gen Electric	80⅝	79¾
Gen Inst	23⅞	24⅝
Gen Mills	77½	77½
Gen Motors	79⅝	79⅝
Gn Pb Ut ny	19⅝	19⅝
Genesco	2⅝	2⅝
Georgia Pac	32⅝	32⅝
Gillette	43⅝	44
Goodrich	40⅝	40⅝
Goodyear	30⅝	31⅝
Gould Inc	23⅝	23⅝
Grace	58	58⅝
Gt Atl & Tac	23	24⅝
Gr'hnd	34⅝	34⅝
Gruman Cor	29⅝	28⅝
Gulf & West	62⅝	62⅝
Heinz H.J.	43⅝	44
Hercules	49⅝	50⅝
H'lett-Pkrd	45	46⅝
Honeywell	79⅝	78⅝
IC Inds	45⅝	46
Ingersoll	66	66⅝
Inland Steel	23⅝	23½
IBM	152⅝	152⅝
INCO	13⅝	13⅝
Int Paper	62½	62⅝
Int Tel Tel	47⅝	48⅝
Irving Bank	54⅝	55
Jhnsn & Jhn	66½	68⅝
Kaiser Alum	20	19⅝
Kerr McGee	29⅝	30
Kmb'ly Clrk	87⅝	88⅝
K Mart	52⅝	52⅝
Kroger	52	52⅝
L.T.V. Corp	6⅝	7
Litton	82⅝	83⅝
Lockheed	54⅝	54⅝
Lucky Strs	27⅝	28
Man H'nver	52⅝	54⅝
Manville Cp	2⅝	2⅝
Mapco	45	44⅝
Marine Mid	54⅝	56
Mrt Marietta	45⅝	45⅝
Masco	29⅝	29⅝
McDonalds	101⅝	102⅝
McDonnell	82⅝	83½
Mead	51⅝	52
Merck	94⅝	98½
Minsta Mng	105⅝	107
Mobil Oil	31⅝	31⅝
Monsanto	66⅝	66⅝
Morgan J.P.	87⅝	89½
Motorola	45⅝	47
NCR Corp	55⅝	55⅝
NL Indstrs	12⅝	12⅝
Nat Distlrs	40⅝	40⅝
Nat Med Ent	24	24
Nat Smcndt	14⅝	14⅝
Norfolk Sth	83⅝	83⅝
NW Bancorp	37⅝	37⅝
Occdnt Pet	28½	28⅝
Ogden	34⅝	35⅝
Olin Corp	44⅝	45⅝
Owens-Ill	76⅝	75⅝
Pac Gas El	22⅝	23⅝
Pan Am	6⅝	6⅝
Penney J.C.	80	81⅝
Pennzoil	50⅝	51⅝
Pepsico	30⅝	33⅝

	Jun 02	May 30
Pfizer	62½	62⅝
Phelps Dge	28½	28⅝
Philip Mrs	68	69
Phillips Pet	10⅝	10⅝
Polaroid	66⅝	68⅝
PPG Ind	63⅝	63½
Prctr Gmbl	76⅝	77⅝
Pb S E & G	36⅞	37⅝
Raytheon	59⅝	58⅝
RCA Corp	66	66⅝
Rynlds Met	48⅝	48⅝
Rockwell Int	46⅝	46⅝
Royal Dutch	75⅝	74⅝
Safeways	44⅝	44⅝
Sara Lee	63⅝	63⅝
SFE Sopac	35⅝	35⅝
Schl'berger	32⅝	32⅝
Scott Paper	57⅝	58
Seagram	62⅝	63⅝
Sears Rbck	47⅝	47⅝
Shell Trans	47⅝	47
Singer	52½	52⅝
Smthkln Bk	96	95⅝
Sony	20⅝	20⅝
Sth Cal Ed	29⅝	30
Sperry Corp	74⅝	74⅝
Std Oil Ohio	45⅝	45⅝
Sterling Drg	44⅝	46
Stevens JP	34	34⅝
Sun Comp	47	48⅝
Teledyne	339⅝	344½
Tenneco	39	39⅝
Texaco	33⅝	32⅝
Texas E Cor	34⅝	35⅝
Texas Inst	138	138⅝
Texas Utils	31⅝	31⅝
Textron	58	59⅝
Travlrs Cor	51⅝	52⅝
TRW Inc	107	108⅝
UAL Inc	59	58⅝
Unilever NV	182½	181⅝
Un Carbide	23⅝	23⅝
Un Pac Cor	53	53⅝
Utd Brands	26⅝	26⅝
US Steel	21⅝	21⅝
Utd Technol	50⅝	50½
Unocal	21⅝	21⅝
Jim Walter	43⅝	44⅝
Wrner Lmbt	57⅝	58⅝
Wells Fargo	94⅝	95⅝
W'stghse El	52⅝	53⅝
Weyerh'ser	36⅝	37⅝
Whirlpool	79	80
Woolworth	44⅝	91
Xerox Corp	59⅝	61⅝
Zenith	26⅝	26⅝

CANADIAN PRICES

Abitibi	n/a	25
Alcn Alum	n/a	45⅝
Algoma Stl	n/a	15⅝
Can Pacific	n/a	18
Cominco	n/a	13⅝
Con Bathrst	n/a	24⅝
Hkr/Sid Can	n/a	30⅝
Hdsn B Min	n/a	30
Imasco	n/a	34⅝
Imperial Oil	n/a	41⅝
In Pipe	n/a	43⅝
Mass-Ferg	n/a	4.55
Ryl Trustco	n/a	33
Seagram	n/a	87⅝
Steel Co	n/a	25⅝
Thmsn N 'A'	n/a	31⅝
Wkr Hiram	n/a	31⅝
WCT	n/a	14⅝

● Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. b Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

FOREIGN EXCHANGES

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

	Market rates day's range June 2	Market rates close June 2	1 month	3 months
N York	1.4660-1.4805	1.4735-1.4745	0.41-0.38prem	1.02-0.98prem
Montreal	2.0367-2.0513	2.0430-2.0459	0.32-0.23prem	0.62-0.48prem
Ams dam	3.8446-3.8663	3.8517-3.8566	1⅛-1⅞prem	3½-3⅜prem
Brussels	69.73-70.18	69.73-69.85	20-15prem	48-39prem
C'phgen	12.6473-12.7089	12.6473-12.6706	3½-2⅝prem	7½-6⅝prem
Dublin	1.1244-1.1377	1.1269-1.1279	par-4dis	1-8dis
Frankfurt	3.4117-3.4412	3.4207-3.4253	1⅞-1⅝prem	4⅝-4⅜prem
Lisbon	223.29-229.13	226.03-229.13	80-310dis	245-840dis
Madrid	217.77-218.96	217.77-218.14	20-60dis	65-180dis
Milan	2338.30-2356.06	2341.39-2348.88	1-6dis	6-13dis
Oslo	11.5218-11.5848	11.5218-11.5370	4⅜-4dis	12-13⅜dis
Paris	10.8830-10.9420	10.8892-10.9113	2⅝-2⅝prem	6⅝-5prem
St'khlm	10.8575-10.9268	10.8575-10.8781	⅞-⅛dis	⅝-1⅝dis
Tokyo	257.09-259.12	257.64-258.04	1⅝-1⅝prem	3⅝-3⅝prem
Vienna	23.85-24.15	24.05-24.08	11⅞-10⅝prem	28½-26⅝prem
Zurich	2.8242-2.8529	2.8380-2.8428	1½-1⅛prem	3⅝-3⅝prem

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up at 76.3 (day's range 76.1-76.4).

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Ireland	1.3100-1.3140
Singapore	2.2350-2.2365
Malaysia	2.6340-2.6360
Australia	0.7080-0.7087
Canada	1.3840-1.3850
Sweden	7.3600-7.3700
Norway	7.8100-7.8200
Denmark	8.5800-8.5900
West Germany	2.3205-2.3215
Switzerland	1.9230-1.9250
Netherlands	2.6080-2.6090
France	7.3825-7.3875
Japan	174.75-174.85
Italy	1588.5-1590.0
Belgium(Comm)	47.34-47.39
Hong Kong	7.8122-7.8132
Portugal	155.50-156.00
Spain	147.95-148.10
Austria	16.29-16.31

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	1.2719-1.2743
Australia dollar	2.0862-2.0897
Bahrain dinar	0.5505-0.5545
Brazil cruzado*	20.36-20.48
Cyprus pound	0.7550-0.7650
Finland marka	7.8450-7.8860
Greece drachma	212.00-214.00
Hong Kong dollar	11.546-11.556
India rupee	18.70-18.90
Iraq dinar	n/a
Kuwait dinar KD	0.4365-0.4405
Malaysia dollar	3.8938-3.8997
Mexico peso	800.0-840.0
New Zealand dollar	2.6252-2.6364
Saudi Arabia riyal	5.4795-5.5185
Singapore dollar	3.3044-3.3090
South Africa rand	3.5358-3.5511
U A E dirham	5.3655-5.4055

The prices and unit trust quotations on this page refer to Monday's trading

MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

EURO MONEY DEPOSITS %

Dollar
7 days 6¹³⁄₁₆-7 | call 7⅛-6⅝
3 mnth 7⅛-7 | 1 mnth 7¹⁄₁₆-6¹⁵⁄₁₆
| 6 mnth 7³⁄₁₆-7¹⁄₁₆

Deutschmark
7 days 4¹¹⁄₁₆-4⁹⁄₁₆ | call 5-4
3 mnth 4¹¹⁄₁₆-4⁹⁄₁₆ | 1 mnth 4¹¹⁄₁₆-4⁹⁄₁₆
| 6 mnth 4⅝-4⅝

French Franc
7 days 7⁷⁄₁₆-7⁵⁄₁₆ | call 7⅝-6⅝
3 mnth 7⁷⁄₁₆-7⁵⁄₁₆ | 1 mnth 7⁷⁄₁₆-7⁵⁄₁₆
| 6 mnth 7⁷⁄₁₆-7⁵⁄₁₆

Swiss Franc
7 days 4-3⅝ | call 2½-1½
3 mnth 4¹⁵⁄₁₆-4¹³⁄₁₆ | 1 mnth 4¹⁵⁄₁₆/¹³⁄₁₆
| 6 mnth 4¹³⁄₁₆/¹¹⁄₁₆

Yen
7 days 5¹³⁄₁₆-5¹¹⁄₁₆ | call 5-4
3 mnth 5¹³⁄₁₆-5¹¹⁄₁₆ | 1 mnth 5¹³⁄₁₆/¹¹⁄₁₆
| 6 mnth 5⅝-5⅝

GOLD

Gold:$341.75-342.75
Krugerrand* (per coin):
$ 341.25-342.75 (£231.25-232.50)
Sovereigns* (new):
$ 81.00-82.00 (£54.75-55.50)
*Excludes VAT

ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV Average reference rate for interest period April 2, 1986 to May 6, 1986 inclusive: 10.527 per cent.

Base Rates %
Clearing Banks 10
Finance House 10½

Discount Market Loans %
Overnight High: 10⅝ Low 10⅝
Week fixed: 10

Treasury Bills (Discount %)
Buying: 2 mnth 9⅝; 3 mnth 9⅝
Selling: 2 mnth 9⁹⁄₁₆; 3 mnth 9⁹⁄₁₆

Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 9¹³⁄₁₆-9⅝ | 2 mnth 9⅝-9⁹⁄₁₆
3 mnth 9¹⁄₁₆-9⅝ | 6 mnth 9⅝-9⁹⁄₃₂

Trade Bills (Discount %)
1 mnth 10⁷⁄₁₆ | 2 mnth 10⅝
3 mnth 10¹⁄₁₆ | 6 mnth 9⅝

Interbank (%)
Overnight: open 10⅝ close 11
1 week 10⅞-10⅝ | 6 mnth 9⅝-9⅝
1 mnth 10⅝-10 | 9 mnth 9¹¹⁄₁₆-9⁹⁄₁₆
3 mnth 9⅞-9¹³⁄₁₆ | 12 mth 9⅝-9½

Local Authority Deposits (%)
2 days 10 | 7 days 10
1 mnth 9⅝ | 3 mnth 9¹¹⁄₁₆
6 mnth 9⁹⁄₁₆ | 12 mth 9⅝

Local Authority Bonds (%)
1 mnth 10⅝-10⅝ | 2 mnth 10⅝-10⅝
3 mnth 10⅝-10⅝ | 6 mnth 9⅝-9⅝
9 mnth 10-9⅝ | 12 mth 9⅝-9⅝

Sterling CDs (%)
1 mnth 10¹⁄₁₆-9¹⁵⁄₁₆ | 3 mnth 9¹³⁄₁₆-9¹¹⁄₁₆
6 mnth 9¹⁹⁄₃₂-9¹⁷⁄₃₂ | 12 mth 9¹⁹⁄₃₂-9⁹⁄₃₂

Dollar CDs (%)
1 mnth 6.90-6.85 | 3 mnth 6.90-6.85
6 mnth 6.90-6.85 | 12 mth 6.90-6.85

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Open	High	Low	Close	Est Vol
Three Month Sterling					
Jun 86	90.20	90.30	90.20	90.26	409
Sep 86	90.70	90.85	90.70	90.81	670
Dec 86	90.94	91.03	90.94	90.98	121
Mar 87	90.95	91.04	90.95	90.98	97
Jun 87	N/T			90.91	0
Sep 87	N/T			90.70	0
Previous day's total open interest 17289					
Three Month Eurodollar		Previous day's total open interest 21789			
Jun 86	92.93	92.96	92.91	92.92	722
Sep 86	92.84	92.88	92.79	92.79	1536
Dec 86	92.71	92.72	92.65	92.64	307
Mar 87	92.48	92.48	92.43	92.39	46
US Treasury Bond		Previous day's total open interest 7626			
Jun 86	93-17	94-10	92-28	92-28	952
Sep 86	93-02	93-23	92-06	92-12	6371
Dec 86	92-04	92-04	92-04	91-22	1
Short Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 1409			
Jun 86	102-54	102-55	102-54	102-53	90
Sep 86	103-01	103-03	102-63	102-62	185
Dec 86	N/T				0
Long Gilt		Previous day's total open interest 14253			
Jun 86	123-07	123-13	123-00	123-04	451
Sep 86	123-11	123-24	123-03	123-06	2912
Dec 86	N/T			123-09	0
Mar 87	N/T			123-05	0
FT-SE 100		Previous day's total open interest 2369			
Jun 86	161.30	161.30	159.35	159.55	356
Sep 86	163.30	163.30	161.50	161.75	59

COMMODITIES

LONDON COMMODITY EXCHANGE
G W Joynson and Co report

SUGAR (From C. Czarnikow)
FOB
Aug 173.6-173
Oct 177.6-177
Dec 182.0-180
March 187-186.6
May 191.0-190
Aug 195.0-193
Vol 2430

COCOA
July 1320-16
Sept 1340-38
Dec 1373-72
March 1404-02
May 1427-17
July 1440-35
Sept 1460-48
Vol 1635

COFFEE
July 1820-817
Sept 1865-863
Nov 1905-895
Jan 1945-942
March 1980-955
May 1985-975
July 2010-1980
Vol 5015

SOYABEAN
June 125.0-24.0
Aug 124.8-24.5
Oct 125.8-25.5
Dec 126.2-25.8
Feb 130.0-28.0
April 132.0-29.5
June 131.0-29.5
Vol 172

GAS OIL
June 118.00-17.50
July 118.50-18.00
Aug 120.75-20.50
Sept 123.75-23.50
Oct 126.00-25.50
Nov 127.75-27.50
Dec 129.50-29.00
Jan 133.00-28.00
Feb 134.00-25.00
Vol 4293

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE
Unofficial prices
Official Turnover figures
Price in £ per metric tonne
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Rudolf Wolff & Co. Ltd. report

COPPER HIGH GRADE
Cash 949.0-949.50
Three months
Vol 4950
Tone Barely Steady

STANDARD CATHODES
Cash 936-941
Three Months
Vol 100
Tone Quiet

TIN
Cash Suspended
Three Months
Vol
Tone

LEAD
Cash 260.00-260.50
Three Months
Vol 4800
Tone Steady

ZINC STANDARD
Cash 465-470
Three Months
Vol Nil
Tone Idle

ZINC HIGH GRADE
Cash 509-510
Three Months 520-521
Vol 2200
Tone Easier

SILVER LARGE
Cash 347.5-348.5
Three Months 356.0-357.0
Vol 20
Tone Quiet

SILVER SMALL
Cash 347.5-348.5
Three Months 356.0-357.0
Vol Nil
Tone Idle

ALUMINIUM
Cash 806-807
Three Months 709-710
Vol 8800
Tone Steadier

NICKEL
Cash 2710-2715
Three Months 2775-2780
Vol 258
Tone Barely Steady

MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on June 2
GB: Cattle. 104.60p per kg lw (+1.38)
GB: Sheep 251.21p per kg est d c w (+9.45)
GB: Pigs. 81.43p per kg lw (+2.12)

England and Wales:
Cattle nos. up 78.1 %, ave. price, 104.48p(+0.93)
Sheep nos. up 52.3 %, ave. price, 251.42p(+9.69)
Pig nos. up 76.0 %, ave. price, 81.46p(+2.19)

Scotland:
Cattle nos. down 26.4 %, ave. price, 105.94p(+3.51)
Sheep nos. up 9.1 %, ave. price, 246.25p(+3.99)
Pig nos. down 12.5 %, ave. price, 78.06p(-3.81)

LONDON GRAIN FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Wheat Close	Barley Close
July	114.40	
Sept	99.35	98.15
Nov	101.90	101.25
Jan	105.15	104.35
March	107.75	106.80
May	109.80	108.70

Volume:
Wheat 84
Barley 0

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Pig Meat
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
June	108.8	108.0
July	105.5	105.3
Aug	105.3	105.5
Sept	111.8	110.8
Oct	113.2	112.5
Nov	114.3	113.5
Jan	105.5	105.5
Feb	104.9	104.8
March	104.5	104.3
April	106.0	106.3

Vol: 11

LONDON MEAT FUTURES EXCHANGE
Beef Contract
p. per kilo

Month	Open	Close
June	195.0	195.0
July	190.0	190.0
Aug	183.5	183.5
Sept	185.0	185.0

Vol: 0

LONDON POTATO FUTURES
£ per tonne

Month	Open	Close
Nov	91.00	88.80
Feb	100.50	97.00
April	124.00	118.90
May	134.00	128.50
Nov	87.50	87.50

Vol: 665

BIFFEX
G.N.I. Freight Futures Ltd report $10 per index point freight index

	High/Low	Close
Jul 86	646-635	645
Oct 86	728-712	716
Jan 87	738-735	735
Apr 87	790-780	787
Jul 87		717.5
Oct 87		802.5
Jan 88		850
Apr 88		880

Spot:178
Vol: 653.0 lots

TANKER REPORT

	High/Low	Close
Jun 86	1060-1055	1060
Jul 86	970-970	970
Aug 86		1000
Sep 86		1022
Dec 86		1085
Mar 87		1186

Vol: 42 lots
Open interest 48

INVESTMENT TRUSTS

1986 High	1986 Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
117	94	Alsa	115	-1	3.1b	2.7	44.6
771	663	Alliance	748	+8	29.6	4.0	35.8
149	130	Amer Trust	136	..	4.4	3.2	37.9
358	286	Ang Amer Sec	348	+2	8.9	2.6	54.8
120	100	Atlantic Assets	107	..	0.8	0.7	..
120	98	Bankers	115	..	3.9b	3.4	43.2
241	159	Berry	237	..	1.5b	0.6	..
82½	53	Br Assets	81½	● ..	2.7	4.4	34.4
53	31	Br Empire Sec	41	+1	0.7	1.7	[illegible]
448	384	Br Inv	423	● ..	21.7	5.1	27.7
102	80	Brunner	95	-2	3.1	3.3	44.2
810	635	Commercial	810	+45	30.0b	3.7	38.8
228	139	Crescent Japan	209	-1	0.5	0.2	..
140	109	Derby Inc	140	..	12.0	8.6	16.7
143	110	Do Cap	134	..	..	..	..
364	314	Drayton Cons	330	+6	14.6	4.4	39.4
190	134	Drayton Far East	182	..	1.6	0.9	..
654	430	Drayton Japan	657	+8	1.4	0.2	..
206	176	Dundee Lon	198	..	7.7	3.9	35.4
117	100	Edn Amer Asset	112	+1	0.9	0.8	87.5
150	119	Edinburgh	142	● ..	4.7	3.3	41.8
374	284	Electric Gen	360	-8	5.6b	1.6	78.5
152	138	English Int	150	..	5.5	3.7	44.4
93½	76	English Scot	91	-1	2.0	2.2	55.2
184	119	Ensign	184	..	2.0	1.3	85.6
107	86	F & C Alliance	106	..	2.5	2.4	59.3
193	142	F & C Pacific	192	-3	2.1	1.1	74.1
280	237	Family	277	..	11.8	4.3	32.2
348	287	First Scot Amer	328	-1	14.3	4.4	30.9
108	90	First Un Gen	95	..	8.7	9.2	8.0
558	480	Fleming American	550	..	8.2	1.5	[illegible]
193	146	Fleming Claver	172	..	7.3	4.2	33.1
345	284	Fleming Enterprise	332	-1	12.9b	3.9	40.6
124	84½	Fleming Far East	118	●+1	1.4	1.2	..
140	109	Fleming Fledgling	135	..	3.6	2.7	52.1
702	480	Fleming Japan	685	+8	0.7	0.1	..
151	133	Fleming Mercantile	148	+½	5.1	3.4	38.5
147	133	Fleming Overseas	138	..	3.8	[illegible]	[illegible]
168	143	Fleming Tech	162	+1	3.4	2.2	64.7
367	322	Fleming Universal	354	● +½	4.5	2.2	64.1
90½	63	For Col	87	..	2.1	2.4	58.5
109	92	GBC Capital	100	-1	..	..	..
179	116	GT Japan	179	-1	2.0b	1.1	..
161	128	General Funds	161	..	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
330	275	General Cons	315	..	15.9	5.0	27.7
143	118	Glasgow Stock	134	..	5.3	3.9	35.7
348	291	Globe	348	..	15.7	4.5	29.8
147	127	Govett Atlantic	137	●+1	4.0b	2.9	42.6
195	139	Govett Oriental	183	●+6	3.3	1.7	82.5
231	184	Govett Strategy	220	-2	5.1	2.3	62.5
330	244	Greenfriar	325	..	2.4	0.7	..
250	215	[illegible]	225	..	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
184	158	Hambros	187	..	6.4	3.4	41.3
307	263	Hill (P)	273	-8	15.4	5.6	24.8
650	540	Invest in Success	650	..	8.2	1.2	98.5
284	244	Inv Cap	275	●+2	6.6b	2.4	78.4
59	45	Japan Assets	58	+½	0.1	0.2	..
101	80	Kleinwort Charter	93	..	3.3b	3.5	40.1
132	110	Kleinwort O Seas	123	..	..	..	..
233	198	Law Debenture	227	..	9.0	4.0	27.5
70	58	Lon Merchant Sec	61	..	3.2	5.2	15.6
71	61	Lon Trust	65	..	6.1s	9.7	21.4
123	102	Merchants	118	..	6.1b	5.3	30.6
197	181	Monks	183	..	3.7	1.9	72.5
159	128	Murray Income	149	+1	7.7n	5.2	27.6
165	137	Murray Ind	160	..	7.1b	4.4	34.1
294	215	Murray Small	290	..	3.9n	1.3	..
380	318	Murray Venture	373	..	10.0b	2.7	51.1
440	380	New Court	433	..	21.3	4.9	30.0
66	48	New Darien Oil	60	+1	0.9	1.5	65.9
169	158	926	160	..	5.7	3.2	35.0
57½	50½	Nineties Inc 85	57½	..	4.2b	7.3	20.5
245	185	New Tokyo	237	..	1.1	0.5	..
329	278	Nth Atlantic Sec	309	+2	4.9	1.6	86.1
81	48	Nth Sea Assets	48	..	0.7	1.5	53.5
384	279	Nthn Amer	364	●+4	7.7b	2.2	64.7
178	145	Outwich	169	● ..	4.8	3.0	42.4
78	66	Pacific Assets	77	..	1.0	1.3	92.6
		Do Wrnts	37	..	..	..	..
42	37	Personal Assets	38	..	0.5	1.3	..
403	338	Raeburn	387	..	16.0	3.8	40.3
171	147	River & Merc	161	-1	8.6	5.3	29.5
258	216	River Plate	248	..	12.1	4.9	28.5
247	207	Robeco	245	+4	..	..	..
226	181	Rolinco	225	+3	..	..	..
322	267	Romney	317	..	7.1	2.2	48.8
13⅞	11½	Rorento	13½	..	..	..	..
[illegible]	116	St Andrews	[illegible]	..	4.1	3.1	48.8
374	287	Scottish	374	..	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
357	272	Scot American	345	●+1½	8.7b	3.2	42.0
113	[illegible]	Scot Eastern	109	..	2.9	2.7	56.5
[illegible]	[illegible]	Scot Merc 'A'	[illegible]	●+4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
315	245	Scot Nat	310	●+7½	7.2	2.4	[illegible]
670	570	Second Alliance	643	-2	34.6n	5.4	[illegible]
170	136	Sec Of Scotland	162	●-2	7.1	4.4	39.0
79	[illegible]	Smaller Cos	79	..	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	36	Stewart Enterp	[illegible]	..	[illegible]	1.7	..
102	82	TR Australia	99	● ..	3.3	3.3	34.9
122	95	TR City Of Lon Dfd	111	..	5.6b	5.0	31.1
199	155	TR Ind & Gen	193	..	5.4b	2.8	51.2
226	201	TR Natural Res	212	+2	10.7	5.0	26.9
101	90	TR North America	97	..	2.6b	2.7	49.2
170	118	TR Pacific Basin	169	+1	1.4	0.8	..
170	140	TR Property	169	+1	5.7	3.4	37.5
118	90½	TR Tech	111	●+6½	2.6	2.3	59.4
174	139	TR Trustees	157	..	6.3b	4.0	36.7
169	135	Temple Bar	154	..	7.5	4.9	28.9
385	237	Throgmorton	278	+1	11.8	4.3	30.3
358	300	Throg Secured Cap	353	..	..	..	..
205	157½	Trans-Oceanic	194	+1	5.5	2.8	48.6
141	112	Tribune	129	+1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
84	79	Triplevest Inc	88	..	15.8	18.0	7.9
285	217	US Debenture	252	+2	9.3	3.7	50.5
52	36	Viking Resources	44	+1	2.9	6.6	21.1
74	60	Westpool	60	..	2.2	3.7	43.2
98	85	Winterbottom Eqy	88	..	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
210	161	Witan	201	+2	4.6	2.3	59.5
345	288	Yeoman	342	..	13.7b	4.0	35.3

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

1986 High	1986 Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
47⅞	35⅛	American Express	£42⅞	-⅛	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
71	31	Argyle	50½	..	..	..	86.8
40	21	Boustead	32	-1	..	..	..
184	116	Britannia Arrow	136	+6	5.6b	4.3	16.1
18⅝	13⅛	Daily Mail	£16⅛	..	69.3	4.3	11.5
18⅝	12⅝	Do 'A'	£16	..	69.3	4.3	11.5
155	131	Electra	147	..	5.8	4.0	30.0
120	90	Eng Trust	112	+2	4.0	3.6	15.5
247	167	Exco	216	-3	6.0	2.7	14.1
100	65	Exploration	93	-2	3.2	3.5	14.3
660	375	Framlington	640	+6	8.2	1.3	29.8
94	77	Frost Gp	88	● ..	6.4	7.3	9.6
100	77	Goode (D & M)	88	..	3.5	3.0	23.2
17	380	Henderson Admin	517	+3	25.7b	1.5	24.4
218	163	ICH	185	-1	12.9b	6.3	8.1
440	320	MAI	383	..	22.9	5.9	10.1
960	700	M & G	895	●+45	24.3	2.5	29.2
262	284	Mercantile House	302	..	18.5	6.1	8.8
35	28	Pacific Inv Tst	30½	..	0.5	0.8	44.3
18	14	Do Warrants	15	-1	..	..	..
205	159	Smith New Court	185	●-4	10.0	5.3	7.1

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Gilt & Fixed 118.7 125.6● .. 8.85
High Inc Equity 83.6 89.5 -0.1 4.82
Worldwide Bond 174.3 185.6● -1.8 5.18
American Growth 163.5 174.6 +0.6 2.45
Asian Pacific 42.5 46.0 +0.6 2.72
Assets & Earns 213.0 [illegible] +0.6 1.56
Capital Reserve 66.6 87.1 +0.1 1.81
Comm & Energy 66.3 70.9 +0.3 2.65
European Capital 94.7 [illegible] +1.0 1.41
General 135.6 145.0 -0.3 2.83
Japan [illegible] 78.6 +0.4 ..
UK Growth Inc 92.6 98.6 -0.3 1.55
Do Accum 132.9 142.0 -0.5 1.05
US Emerging Co's 61.2 65.5 +0.7 0.40
Equitas Progress 192.3 204.7● -0.2 3.20
Mastertrust Acc 81.9 85.8● +0.4 1.82

ALLIED DUNBAR UNIT TRUSTS
Allied Dunbar Centre Swindon SN1 1EL
0793 610366 & 0793 28291
First Trust 247.7 258.7 +0.8 3.30
Growth & Income 135.7 144.5 -0.1 3.14
Capital Trust 330.6 345.4 -0.1 2.67
Balanced 356.3 378.5● -0.3 3.18
Accum Trust 645.2 690.8 -0.3 3.02
American Income 32.1 34.2 +0.4 3.96
High Income Tst 247.0 264.0 -0.3 4.88
Equity Income 139.0 148.0 -0.3 4.76
High Yield 142.4 151.7● -0.2 5.48
Govt Secs Trust 30.4 31.7 .. 9.09
International 79.4 84.6 +0.4 1.05
Japan Fund 98.4 104.8 -0.1 0.01
Pacific Trust 183.4 195.5 .. 1.08
Amer Spcl Sits 68.4 72.9 +0.9 1.35
Secs Of Amer Tst 222.0 236.4● -0.7 0.86
Ald Asset Value 224.4 239.0● -0.3 3.25
Gilt Growth 37.7 39.3● -0.2 2.88
Smaller Co's 116.2 123.6 -0.3 2.65
2nd Smaller Co's 154.4 164.4 +0.4 2.34
Recovery Trust 86.4 92.1● +0.2 2.14
Mer Min & Cmdty 76.0 81.0● +0.5 3.25
O'seas Earnings 164.7 164.7 .. 3.01
Technology Tst 92.7 98.7 +0.4 0.91
Income Exempt 128.1 136.5 -0.6 5.80
Exempt Smaller Co's 224.8 238.3 +0.1 2.89
USA Exempt Trust 353.6 374.8 -0.4 1.39

ARBUTHNOT SECURITIES
131, Finsbury Pavement, London EC2A 1AY
01-628 9876 01-280 8840/1/2/3
Capital Growth Inc 57.4 61.3 +0.1 1.71
Do Accum 64.2 68.6 +0.1 1.71
Eastern & Intl 125.0 133.5 +0.7 0.85
Do 6% Withdrawal 67.0 71.6 +0.4 0.85
Finance & Property 59.9 64.0 -0.2 2.36
Gilt & Fixed Income 48.3 50.8● .. 7.63
Do Accum 80.8 85.0● .. 7.74
Equity Income 74.5 79.6● -0.1 4.87
Do Accum 174.2 186.3● -0.2 4.87
High Yield Income 73.0 78.0● +0.1 7.93
Do Accum 193.4 205.7● +0.3 7.93
Intl Accum 72.5 77.5● +0.3 2.38
Do 5% Withdrwl 65.7 70.2● +0.3 2.38
Managed Fund 58.1 61.2 -0.2 ..
Preference Income 30.3 32.4 -0.1 9.77
Do Accum 96.4 103.1 -0.1 9.77
Smaller Co's Accum 138.8 148.5● -0.8 1.48
World Penny Share 10.0 10.6 .. 0.87
Portfolio Tst UK 76.4 79.1 -0.2 1.62
Portfolio Tst Japan 91.2 94.8 -0.4 0.10
Portfolio Tst US 75.0 77.7 -0.8 1.01
Portfolio Tst Europe 100.7 104.3 .. 0.19
Portfolio Tst HK 38.9 40.3 .. 0.10

BAILLIE GIFFORD
3, Glenfinlas St, Edinburgh EH3 6YY
031-225 2581 (Dealers 031-226 6066)
Intl Ex (22) 423.3 442.1 .. 1.15
Japan Ex (43) 360.1 375.6 .. 0.25
UK Ex (31) 227.4 242.0● .. 1.48
P'sal Pens Intl 448.0 471.6
P'sal Pens UK 197.0 209.6
BG America 174.3 185.5 +2.4 0.50
BG Energy 121.5 129.3 +0.3 1.56
BG Income Grwth 194.3 206.8● -4.2 5.19
BG Japan 160.5 170.9 -1.2 0.00
BG Technology 159.4 169.6● +0.8 1.98

BALTIC TRUST MANAGERS
25/26 Albemarle Street, London W1X 4AD
01-491 0295
American 51.8 54.4 +0.5 0.75
Australian 20.2 21.6 +0.1 2.69
Japan & General 94.7 101.3 -0.9 0.17
High Income 44.7 47.8● .. 7.46
International Trust 76.2 81.5 -0.4 1.05
Income Gth Tst 47.8 51.2 +0.1 4.10
Gilts & Fixed Int 20.5 22.0 .. 10.73
Global Markets 36.5 39.1 .. 1.87
Special Situations 41.2 44.1 -0.1 1.48

BARCLAYS UNICORN
Unicorn House, 252, Romford Rd E7
01-534 5544
America 88.8 94.4● +0.3 1.42
Aust Accum 138.4 147.2c -0.9 1.83
Do Income 98.6 105.1c -0.7 1.83
Capital 68.9 73.2 .. 2.90
Exempt Trust 418.8 445.5● +0.3 3.95
Extra Income 74.6 79.5 -0.1 5.32
Financial 224.4 238.7● -1.0 3.08
500 261.5 278.1 .. 3.08
General 134.7 143.2 -0.1 3.12
Gilt & Fixed Inc 55.4 58.3● -0.1 9.40
Japan & Gen Inc 145.2 154.4 -0.8 0.18
Do Acc 146.8 156.1 -0.8 0.18
Growth Accum 176.6 187.8 .. 2.34
Income Trust 330.7 351.8 +0.4 3.65
Leisure Trust 79.7 84.7 +0.1 1.28
Special Situations 135.6 145.5 +0.2 2.17
Recovery 188.9 200.3 +0.4 2.44
Trustee Fund 107.4 114.2 -0.1 2.88
Univ Tech Accum 53.9 57.3 +0.5 0.21
Do Income 53.5 56.5 +0.4 0.21
Worldwide Trust 146.7 156.0 +0.9 0.91
'B' Tst Inv Fund Acc 320.8 341.2● -0.8 3.29
Do Inc 207.9 221.1● -0.4 3.29

BARING FUND MANAGERS
PO Box 156, Beckenham, Kent BR3 4XQ
01-658 9002
Australia 61.3 65.2● +1.2 0.30
Eastern 56.1 59.9 +1.0 0.30
Equity Income 55.3 59.4● -0.3 5.80
Europe 111.1 118.1● +2.2 0.80
Growth & Inc 61.9 66.5 -0.1 2.30
Japan Special 89.4 95.6 -0.9 0.30
Japan Sunrise 80.6 86.2 -0.2 0.30
First Europe 94.9 100.9● +0.8 0.80
First Japan 75.6 80.8 -0.7 0.30
First N Amer 52.8 56.2 +0.7 1.80
First Smaller Cos 62.8 67.3● -0.1 2.70

BARRINGTON MANAGEMENT
10, Fenchurch St, London EC3
01-623 6000
Planned Inv 123.2 131.1 .. 2.13
European Inc 83.1 87.1 +0.7 1.39
Do Accum 101.6 106.5 +0.9 1.39
General Inc 154.3 163.9 -0.1 2.65
Do Accum 208.9 221.8 -0.2 2.65
Gilt Yield Inc 118.3 122.0c -0.2 3.44
Do Accum 185.7 191.6 +0.3 3.44
High Yield Inc 85.5 91.1 -0.4 5.48
Do Accum 166.5 179.4 -0.6 5.48
Japan Income 218.4 230.2● +2.5 1.77
Do Accum 220.0 231.8● +2.5 1.77
N American Inc 50.8 53.9c +0.6 0.85
Do Accum 58.6 62.5 +0.6 0.85
Pacific Income 121.2 127.5 +1.0 0.27
Do Accum 136.5 143.4 +1.1 0.27
Smllr Co's Inc 75.2 80.1● .. 1.93
Do Accum 89.2 94.9● .. 1.93

BRITANNIA UNIT TRUST
74-78 Finsbury Pavement London EC2A 1JD
01-588 2777 Dealing 01-638 0478/9 MoneyGuide 0800-010-333
Growth Gilt 59.8 60.7 -0.1 0.41

Intl Recovery 109.5 116.6 +0.4 2.53
Smaller Co's 141.3 150.7 +0.1 1.28
UK Growth 37.4 39.9● .. 2.03
Extra Inc 59.7 63.6 -0.1 7.16
Gilt 27.7 29.2 .. 7.28
Inc & Growth 199.8 212.2● -0.2 4.20
Nat High Inc 193.1 206.0 -0.4 4.73
Pref Shares 18.7 19.9● .. 9.88
Commodity 119.8 128.2● +0.1 2.73
Financial Secs 42.8 45.6● -0.2 2.31
Gold & Gen 15.0 16.2● -0.2 4.00
Intl Leisure 16.4 17.5 .. 0.52
Prop Shares 62.4 66.5 +0.1 1.10
Univ Energy 40.2 42.9 +0.2 1.73
World Tech 44.2 47.1 +0.4 0.60
Amer Growth 100.3 107.0 +0.4 3.14
Amer Income 59.1 63.0 +0.1 6.25
Amer Smaller Co's 35.3 38.0 +0.2 0.50
Aust Growth 70.2 74.9 -0.8 1.64
Euro Smaller 14.1 15.0 +0.2 0.52
Far East 43.8 46.7 .. 0.66
Hong Kong Prf 23.7 25.3 .. 2.68
Intl Growth 34.4 36.7● +0.2 1.80
Japan Perf 61.8 65.9 +0.2 ..
Japan Smaller 14.8 15.8 .. ..
Exempt 83.3 87.2● -0.5 3.61
Exempt Market 84.7 87.7 .. 4.14

BROWN SHIPLEY
9-17, Perrymount Rd, Haywards Heath
0444 458144
Financial 120.3 128.4 -0.6 2.83
Growth Accum 210.3 226.2 +3.3 ..
Do Income 135.6 145.0 +2.2 1.34
High Income 65.6 70.6 -0.1 5.74
Income 76.4 81.1 -0.5 4.73
Man Portfolio Inc 63.0 67.7 +1.0 2.62
Do Acc 106.7 113.8 +1.3 ..
North American 63.5 68.3 -0.4 1.80
Orient 74.3 79.9● -0.9 0.19
Recovery 42.3 45.5● .. 1.35
Technology 142.7 153.5● +2.3 0.43
German 28.7 31.1● +0.5 0.35

BUCKMASTER MANAGEMENT
The Stock Exchange London EC2P 2JT
01-588 2868
General Inc (4) 214.7 225.4● .. 3.47
Do Accum (4) 343.2 360.3● .. 3.47
Income Fund (3) 104.2 108.9● .. 8.26
Do Accum (3) 188.3 191.0● .. 8.26
Intl Inc (2) 122.6 128.1 .. 1.45
Do Accum (2) 162.1 169.3 .. 1.46
Smaller Inc (5) £11.32 11.89 .. 2.83
Do Accum (5) £11.85 12.85 .. 2.83

CS FUND MANAGERS
125, High Holborn, London WC1V 6PY
01-242 1148
CS Japan Fund 73.4 78.1 -0.8 0.38

CANNON FUND MANAGERS
1 Olympic Way, Wembley, HA9 0NB
01-902 8876
Growth 279.2 296.0 -1.6 2.74
Income 320.7 344.4 -0.8 4.13
Far East 181.0 191.8 -0.6 0.35
North American 186.5 186.6 +1.2 0.55
Global 114.1 121.4 .. 4.00
European 47.5 50.6 +0.1 1.00
Japan 48.0 51.1 .. 0.80

CAPEL (JAMES) MANAGEMENT
PO Box 551 Bevis Marks London EC3 7JQ
01-621 0011
Capital 353.0 377.6 +2.2 1.74
Income 283.7 303.5 -0.6 4.39
North American 297.3 318.0 +2.8 1.20

CATER ALLEN
1 King William St. EC4N 7AU
01-623 6314
Gilt Trust 105.7 112.9● +0.2 10.80

CENTRAL BOARD OF FINANCE OF CHURCH OF ENGLAND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815
Inv Fund 418.75 .. 4.12
Fixed Int 152.5 .. 9.37
Deposit 100.0 .. 11.25

CHARITIES OFFICIAL INVESTMENT FUND
2, Fore Street, London EC2Y 5AQ
01-588 1815
Income 381.3 ● .. 4.67
Accum £10.9828 .. ..

CLERICAL MEDICAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Narrow Plain, Bristol BS2 0JH
0800 373393
Amer Growth 26.0 27.7 .. 1.90
Equity High Income 42.1 44.8● -0.7 4.30
European Growth 24.7 26.3 +0.4 2.00
General Equity 37.9 40.4 -0.1 2.70
Gilt & Fixed Inc Gth 29.8 31.5 .. 3.20
Gilt & Fixed Inc 25.1 26.8 -0.1 9.50
Indor Securities 25.8 27.5● .. 2.20
Japan Growth 28.1 29.9 .. 0.90

COUNTY BANK UNIT TRUSTS
161, Cheapside, London EC2V 6EU
01-726 1999
Capital Accum 283.0 301.0● -0.5 1.56
Energy Trust 44.2 47.0 +0.2 3.65
Extra Income 162.2 172.5 +0.1 5.09
Financial 158.5 168.6 .. 2.67
Gilt Strategy 56.1 57.8● .. 1.00
Growth Investment 277.4 295.1 -0.7 2.49
Income & Growth 40.2 42.7● .. 4.20
Japanese & Pacific 137.8 146.5 +1.3 0.64
Nth Amer Growth 108.7 115.6● +1.5 0.70
Intl Recovery 111.4 118.5 +0.1 1.64
Smaller Co's 203.4 218.3 +0.9 1.70
Global Inc Tst 56.9 60.5● +0.4 5.64

CROWN UNIT TRUST SERVICES
Crown House, Woking GU21 1XW
04862 5033
High Income Trust 239.3 255.8 -0.4 5.11
Growth Trust 218.7 233.9 -0.2 3.08
American Trust 136.7 146.2 +1.3 0.68

EFM UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
4, Melville Crescent, Edinburgh
031-226 3492
American Fund 73.0 78.1 +0.9 2.16
Capital Fund 93.7 99.6● -0.2 1.71
Growth & Inc Fund 130.1 139.2 -0.7 4.31
High Dist Fund 106.8 114.2● -0.4 5.91
International Fund 189.6 202.1 +1.8 1.11
Resources Fund 19.9 21.2 +0.1 0.47
Smllr Jap Co's Fnd 32.6 34.8 -0.1 ..
Tokyo Fund 140.6 150.6 -1.7 0.17
(Ex) Amer (2) 144.2 148.9 .. 3.69
(Ex) Japan (3) 99.7 102.9● .. 0.23
(Ex) Pacific (4) 252.0 260.2 .. 0.40
(Ex) Smaller Jap (4) 185.5 191.5 .. 0.10
Eurofund 23.3 24.9 .. 4.02

EAGLE STAR UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Bath Road, Cheltenham, Gloucester GL53 7LQ
0242 521311
UK Balanced Inc 67.9 72.4● -1.0 2.76
Do Accum 68.9 73.5● -1.0 2.72
UK Growth Accum 78.9 84.2● +0.5 1.35
UK High Inc Inc 63.8 68.0● -0.1 4.17
N American Accum 68.3 73.4 +0.5 1.38
Far Eastern Accum 80.1 85.4 +0.1 0.59
European Accum 69.8 74.2 +0.7 1.18
UK Gilt & FI Inc 54.2 59.4● -1.6 8.58
Do Accum 56.4 60.2● +0.1 8.31

ENDURANCE FUND MANAGEMENT LTD
Admin Centre, Hexagon House, 28, Western Road, Romford RM1 3LB
0708-66966
Endurance 103.0 110.2 .. 3.27

EQUITABLE UNITS ADMINISTRATION
35, Fountain St, Manchester
061-236 5685
Equitable Pelican 73.0 77.7 -0.1 3.38
High Income Trust 75.2 80.0● +0.1 4.55
Gilt & Fixed Int 56.1 59.7 .. 8.08
Tst Of Inv Trusts 64.3 68.5 +0.1 1.91
Special Sits Trust 75.5 80.4 +0.3 2.35
Nth Amer Trust 62.3 66.3 +0.4 1.86
Far Eastern Trust 74.1 78.8 -0.4 0.68

EQUITY & LAW
St. George Hse Corporation St. Coventry CV1 1QD
0203 553231
UK Growth Accum 145.4 154.8● .. 3.44
Do Income 126.2 134.3● -0.1 3.44
Higher Inc Accum 240.6 256.1● -0.1 4.72
Do Income 193.6 206.1● -0.1 4.72
Gilt/Fixed Accum 103.0 108.4 +0.1 2.98
Do Income 88.1 92.7 -0.2 2.98
Nth Amer Tst Accum 145.7 155.0● +1.3 0.31
Far East Tst Accum 135.9 144.6● +0.5 0.47
Euro Tst Accum 141.3 150.3 +0.9 1.26
General Trust 231.9 246.7 +0.4 2.68

F & C UNIT MANAGEMENT
1, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0BA
01-623 4680
American Fund 78.9 84.4 +0.7 0.26
Capital Fund 111.4 119.2 +0.6 0.39
Income Fund 80.7 86.4 +0.3 4.63
Far Eastern Fund 69.3 74.2 +0.7 0.36
Overseas Income 65.8 70.4● +0.7 3.84
Fixed Interest 58.4 62.4● -0.3 9.37
Natural Res Fund 38.2 40.9● +0.3 4.55
European Income 70.4 75.4 +1.1 3.28

FS INVESTMENT MANAGERS
190, West George St, Glasgow G2 2PA
041-332 3132
Balanced Gth Inc 40.8 43.4● -0.2 1.80
Do Accum 41.4 44.0● -0.2 ..
Income Gth Inc 39.8 42.1● -0.2 6.00
Do Accum 41.8 44.5 +0.2 ..
Service Co's Inc 43.6 46.4● +0.1 1.10
Do Accum 44.1 46.9● +0.1 ..

FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL
River Walk, Tonbridge, TN9 1DY
0732 362222
American 106.3 113.7 +1.3 0.41
Amer Equity Income 32.5 34.8 +0.2 4.64
Amer Special Sits 84.1 87.9● +0.5 0.31
Far East Inc 30.0 32.0● -0.2 4.13
Gilt & Fixed Int 31.3 32.4 .. 8.73
Growth & Income 98.1 105.0c .. 4.23
Japan Special Sits 33.7 33.3 .. ..
Japan Trust 111.4 119.2 -0.9 ..
Managed Int Tst 131.8 140.0 +0.7 0.05
Max Income Equity 75.0 80.2● .. 4.75
Professional Gilt 32.8 34.9 .. 2.25
South East Asia Tst 27.4 29.2 +0.6 0.59
Special Sits 152.7 164.3 .. 0.82

FLEMING (ROBERT)
8, Crosby Sq, London EC3A 6AN
01-638 5858
American Exempt £268.3 278.5 .. 1.84
Japan Exempt £356.3 387.5 .. 1.04
Am Property Tst $10789.0 .. 5.00
Property Trust £2033.0 .. 6.25

FRAMLINGTON UNIT MANAGEMENT
3, London Wall Bldgs, London Wall, London EC2M 5NQ
01-628 5181
Amer & Gen Inc 245.2 260.8 +2.9 0.53
Do Accum 250.4 266.2 +3.7 0.53
Amer Turnarnd Inc 225.8 240.2 +2.5 1.09
Do Accum 232.6 247.4 +2.5 1.09
Capital Tst Inc 193.5 205.8 +0.4 2.29
Do Accum 232.8 247.6 +0.4 2.29
Conv & Gilt Inc 88.8 94.4 -0.2 5.17
Do Accum 116.2 123.6 -0.2 5.17
Extra Inc Tst Inc 157.6 167.6 .. 4.38
Do Accum 167.8 178.2 .. 4.38
Income Trust 116.2 123.6● .. 4.31
Do Accum 122.2 130.0● .. 4.31
Intl Growth Fd Inc 171.0 181.8● +1.2 0.00
Do Accum 190.0 202.0● +1.4 0.00
Japan & Gen Inc 76.8 81.6 +0.2 0.08
Do Accum 77.6 82.4 +0.2 0.08
Monthly Income Fd 79.4 84.4● -0.4 4.48
Recovery 138.4 147.2 -0.2 1.74
Do Accum 149.8 159.2 .. 1.74
European Inc 53.4 56.8 +0.3 0.94
Do Accum 53.4 56.8 +0.3 0.94

FRIENDS PROVIDENT MANAGERS
Pixham End, Dorking, Surrey
0306 885055
FP Equity Dist 194.9 208.6● -0.4 2.84
Do Accum 324.5 344.7● -0.5 2.84
FP Fixed Int Dist 115.9 123.3● +0.2 5.83
Do Accum 132.0 140.4● -0.3 5.83
Stewardship Dist 163.6 173.8● -0.1 1.81
Do Accum 168.0 179.4● -0.1 1.81

FUNDS IN COURT
Public Trustee, Kingsway, WC2
01-405 4300
Capital 342.0 353.8 .. 2.87
Gross Inc 152.0 156.6 .. 7.41
High Yield 213.0 215.7 .. 5.86

GT UNIT MANAGERS
8th Floor, 8, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YJ
01-283 2575 Dealing 01-626 9431
UK Cap Fnd Inc 96.3 102.9 -0.3 2.30
Do Accum 137.2 146.8 -0.4 2.30
Income Fund 79.7 85.3 -0.2 6.10
Pension Exempt 162.0 169.7 -2.5 2.00
International 155.4 166.3 -0.8 1.00
US & General 63.5 68.0● -0.2 0.60
Tech & Growth 73.8 79.0 -1.2 1.00
Japan & General 205.1 219.5 -2.9 0.20
Far East & Gen 91.0 97.4 -0.3 0.50
European Fund 216.1 231.2 +3.2 0.70
Germany Fund 60.2 64.4 +1.0 1.10

GARTMORE FUND MANAGERS
2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP
01-623 1212 Dealing 01-623 5766 Dealing 01-623 5806
American Trust 96.3 103.2● .. 0.00
Australian Trust 17.5 18.7● -0.6 0.35
British Tst Accum 55.3 59.3 -1.5 2.36
Do Dist 48.6 52.1 -1.0 2.35
Commodity Share 53.4 57.1● -0.1 1.49
European Trust 48.0 52.2 +0.2 0.56
Extra Income Trust 48.0 45.3● -0.1 5.43
Far Eastern Trust 119.2 127.5 -1.8 0.09
Fixed Interest Fund 26.4 28.3 -0.1 9.85
Gilt Trust 27.7 28.8 +0.1 9.83
Global Fund Accum 160.7 171.0 -0.5 0.22
Do Dist 153.2 163.0 -0.4 0.22
Gold Share Trust 10.3 10.9 .. 2.86
Hedged American 31.1 33.3 -0.1 0.10
High Income Trust 137.6 147.4 .. 5.22
Hong Kong Trust 26.2 28.0 +0.1 1.01
Income Fund 73.3 78.5 -0.1 3.31
Insurance Agencies £45.90 49.52 -0.23 1.94
Japan Trust 125.1 134.0● -0.7 0.00
Managed Exempt 264.1 273.2 -0.7 2.98
Oil & Energy Trust 31.5 33.8 +0.3 1.50
Special Sits Trust 91.5 98.0 -1.0 0.80
UK Smlr Co's Rec Tst 71.0 75.1 -1.0 1.44

GOVETT (JOHN) UNIT MANAGEMENT
Winchester Hse, 77, London Wall, London EC2N 1DA
01-588 5620
Intl Growth 76.7 82.0● +0.1 1.86
American Growth 68.5 73.2 +0.5 1.43
American Inc 71.6 76.5 +0.5 5.30
European Growth 196.9 210.5 +2.7 0.21
Gold & Minerals 36.9 33.6 -0.2 2.10
Japan Growth 148.2 158.5 +0.3 0.17

GRE UNIT MANAGERS
Royal Exchange, EC3P 3DN
01-588 9903
Gilt & Fixed Int 124.0 128.9 +0.1 8.80
Growth Equity 203.9 217.0● -1.3 2.02
Guardhill 267.7 298.1 -1.7 2.87
N American 144.4 153.7 +1.6 1.40
Pacific 210.5 224.0 +1.0 0.38
Property Share 254.3 270.6 +1.6 1.52
Smaller Companies 205.4 218.6 -0.7 1.77
European Trust 217.7 231.7● +4.8 0.86

GUINNESS MAHON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
PO Box 442, 32 St Mary-at-Hill, London EC3P 3AJ
01-623 9333
High Income 54.2 58.8● +0.1 8.30
N Amer Trust 119.4 128.8 +0.7 0.79
Recovery 198.9 211.8● +0.4 2.31
Gilt Trust 41.1 42.8 .. 9.31
St Vincent Inc 88.8 95.4 -0.3 5.48
St Vincent US Gth 83.7 87.2 +0.8 0.85
Temple Bar Sm Co's 168.8 178.6 .. 3.20
Temple Bar USM 349.7 377.5 .. 2.53

HAMBROS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Premier UT Admin, 5, Rayleigh Rd, Brentwood Essex
0277 217916
Hambros Smlr Co's 129.7 138.9 +0.5 1.89
Hambros N Amer 72.1 76.7● +0.3 0.85
Hambros Jap & F E 109.9 116.9● +0.1 0.32
Hambros Scandnvn 77.0 81.9 +0.1 0.94
Hambros European 87.4 93.0 +0.3 0.84
Hambros Canadian 30.7 32.8 +0.8 1.46
Hambros Equity Inc 84.2 89.6● +0.2 4.40
Hambros High Inc 83.8 89.3 +0.4 5.86
Hambros Res Assts 58.1 61.8 +0.1 2.87

HENDERSON ADMINISTRATION
Premier UT Administration 5, Rayleigh Rd, Hutton Brentwood Essex
0277-217238
Special Sits Inc 128.3 136.8 +0.2 0.95
Do Accum 180.7 192.4 +0.3 0.95
Recovery Trust 97.3 103.6 -0.3 2.35
Capital Growth Inc 59.3 63.5 +0.1 1.21
Do Accum 69.3 73.4 +0.1 1.21
Income Assets 110.5 117.6 .. 3.42
Financial Trust 140.7 150.3● -0.2 2.50
Income & Growth Inc 143.4 152.6● -0.1 3.05
Do Accum 280.0 297.9● -0.2 3.05
High Income Trust 172.8 184.0● +0.3 4.78
Extra Income 160.2 171.4● +0.7 3.27
Smaller Cos Div 104.4 111.2● +0.2 5.04
Pref & Gilt 46.7 49.1● -0.2 9.16
Gilt Trust 48.4 49.2● .. 8.85
Fixed Interest Trust 54.7 58.0● -0.2 9.44
Global Healthcare 70.4 74.6 +0.7 0.01
Global Tech 113.6 120.8 +2.3 0.21
Gold 37.4 40.2 +0.2 0.77
International 157.3 167.6 +1.6 0.01
Global Resources 67.3 71.3 -0.4 2.30
Worldwide (8) 354.8 373.6 .. 3.20
Australian 62.1 66.1 -0.9 0.92
European 211.1 225.9● +3.6 0.44
Euro Smaller Cos 79.0 84.5 -0.4 0.30
Japan Trust 139.2 148.7 -0.8 0.29
Japan Special Sits 144.9 155.6 -1.9 0.01
Pacific Smaller Cos 64.2 68.1 +0.4 0.52
Singapore & Malay 25.6 27.3 +1.1 2.82
North American 154.4 166.0 +1.4 0.47
Amer Smaller Cos 59.1 60.3● +1.1 0.01
Amer Recovery Tst 125.8 135.3● +1.3 0.54
High Income Exempt 120.8 127.2● -0.8 4.97
Smaller Cos Exempt 116.5 122.9● .. 1.64
Euro Exempt 107.4 113.1 +1.6 1.48
Japan Exempt (5) 134.1 141.2 +0.6 0.86
N Amer 92.3 97.2● +0.7 0.88
Global Tech Ex (5) 92.5 97.4● +0.9 0.07
Pacific Exempt (5) 142.8 150.3● +0.4 2.57

HILL SAMUEL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
NLA Tower, Addiscombe Road, Croydon
01-686 4355 01-628 8011
British Trust Units 531.5 565.9● -7.4 3.20
Capital Trust Units 99.9 106.3 -1.7 2.64
Dollar Trust Units 191.3 203.6 -1.3 2.81
European Trust 117.0 124.5 +2.4 0.79
Far East Trust 113.0 120.3 -0.5 1.96
Financial Trust 359.4 382.4 -8.9 2.72
Gilt Fixed Int Inc 29.6 30.8● .. 3.33
Do Growth 44.0 45.7 .. 7.39
High Yield Trust 63.9 68.0● -0.1 5.07
Income Trust 82.6 87.9● .. 4.42
International 119.8 127.5 +1.2 2.26
Japan Tech Tst 34.9 37.2 .. 0.40
Natural Resources 32.4 34.5 -0.4 2.42
Security Trust 181.7 193.4 -0.2 2.56
Smaller Cos 87.6 93.2 +0.3 1.53
Special Sits 94.2 100.3 -2.5 2.44

IBI FUND MANAGERS
32 Queen Annes Gate, London SW1H 9AB
01-222 1000
IBI Brit & O'seas 130.6 139.0● .. 1.70
IBI High Income 54.4 57.8 .. 10.00
IBI Security Gilt 58.4 60.1 .. 2.00
Investment Tst Fnd 65.6 69.8● .. 3.40

KLEINWORT BENSON
20, Fenchurch St, London EC3
01-622 8000
Amer Growth Inc 68.5 72.6 +1.2 1.08
Do Accum 70.0 74.2 +1.2 ..
Fund Inv Tst Inc 19.5 20.9 .. 2.31
Do Accum 24.7 26.4 .. ..
High Yield Inc 123.7 131.7● -0.7 5.45
Do Accum 206.0 219.4● -1.2 ..
Int Recovery Inc 93.2 105.6● -0.1 2.17
Do Accum 104.4 111.2 +0.1 ..
Japan Growth Inc 87.9 93.2 -0.2 ..
Do Accum 88.2 93.5 -0.2 ..
Smaller Co's Inc 158.9 169.2 -0.2 2.00
Do Accum 207.4 220.9 -0.4 ..
UK Eq Growth Inc 28.1 30.1 -0.1 1.20
Do Accum 46.2 49.5 -0.2 ..
Worldwide Tech Inc 42.0 44.7 -0.3 0.28
Do Accum 42.3 45.0 +0.3 ..

L & C UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT
Percy House, Copthall Ave, EC2R 7BE
01-588 2800
Income Fund 439.0 448.0 .. 4.93
International & Gen 240.2 245.7 .. 0.75

LEGAL & GENERAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
5 Rayleigh Road, Brentwood Essex
0277 234634
Equity Distribution 267.2 285.8 -1.5 2.14
Do Accum 417.5 446.6 -2.4 2.14
European 61.4 65.7 +0.4 4.97
Do Accum 64.6 69.1 +0.5 1.36
Far Eastern 91.0 97.3 +0.4 0.55
Gilt Trust 79.5 84.1● +0.7 5.38
Intl Managed 75.5 80.8● -0.2 1.13
Natural Res 54.7 58.5 .. 2.80
N American Trust 79.2 84.7 +0.5 2.34
UK Special Sits 61.5 65.8 +0.2 2.13

LLOYDS BANK UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Registrars Dpt, Goring-By-Sea, Worthing W Sussex
0444 459144
Balanced 179.3 191.7● .. 3.11
Do Accum 319.3 341.4 .. 3.11
Energy Intl 47.4 50.6 .. 3.26
Do Accum 53.3 55.9 .. 3.26
Extra Income 156.1 166.9● .. 5.07
Do Accum 281.7 301.2 .. 5.07
German Gth Inc 56.7 60.6 .. 0.20
Do Accum 56.7 60.6 .. 0.20
Income 335.4 357.8 .. 4.44
Do Accum 524.3 560.7 .. 4.44
Intl Tech 180.3 193.0● .. 0.43
Do Accum 188.5 201.6 .. 0.43
Japan Growth 70.0 74.8 .. 0.02
Do Accum 70.2 75.0 .. 0.02
N Amer & Gen 109.3 116.8 .. 0.88
Do Accum 117.5 125.6 .. 0.88

Pacific Basin 115.2 122.8 .. 0.88
Do Accum 120.3 128.6 .. 0.88
Smaller Cos & Rec 184.4 197.3● .. 1.08
Do Accum 208.4 220.7 .. 1.08
Worldwide Growth 184.5 197.2● .. 0.84
Do Accum 258.3 277.5 .. 0.84

LLOYDS LIFE UNIT TRUST
20, Clifton St, London EC2A 4MX
01-920 0311
Equity Dist 119.8 128.2● -0.3 1.46
Do Accum 166.8 177.3● -0.3 1.46
Gilt Trust 53.9 56.7 .. 4.40
Do Accum 57.8 60.7 .. 4.40
High Income Dist 82.4 88.5 -0.4 4.32
Do Accum 106.8 113.1 -0.4 4.32
US Growth 57.0 60.7 +0.3 1.07
Do Accum 58.1 61.8 +0.3 1.07

LONDON & MANCHESTER
Winslade Park, Exeter EX5 1DS
0392 52155
General Trust 42.7 45.7● +0.1 3.80
Income Trust 37.3 39.9 .. 8.60
International Trust 31.7 34.0● +0.2 1.00

M & G SECURITIES
Three Quays, Tower Hill EC3R 6BQ
01-626 4588
Amer & Gen Inc 233.3 247.3 +0.8 1.06
Do Accum 270.4 286.8 +0.8 1.06
Amer Recovery 264.4 281.6● +0.8 0.54
Do Accum 287.1 307.2 +0.8 0.54
Am Smaller Cos 66.1 70.0 +0.6 0.09
Do Accum 68.3 70.9 +0.6 0.09
Aust & Gen Inc 77.6 83.2 +1.3 1.05
Do Accum 84.5 90.4 +1.4 1.05
Comm & Gen Inc 146.9 156.1 +0.6 3.29
Do Accum 190.4 203.7 +0.6 3.29
Compound Growth 392.5 423.9● -0.4 3.20
Conversion Growth 319.8 342.2 +0.7 2.73
Do Inc 181.7 194.4 -0.4 6.00
Dividend Fund Inc 404.5 435.6● -1.0 4.95
Do Accum £11.28 12.05 -0.02 4.95
European & General 182.2 193.0 +1.0 0.80
Do Accum 217.6 220.4 +1.2 0.80
Extra Yield Inc 219.3 232.5 -0.6 5.34
Do Accum 471.6 500.1 -1.3 5.34
Far Eastern Inc 108.9 115.8 +2.5 2.00
Do Accum 132.4 141.7 +3.1 2.00
Fund Of Inv Inc 234.0 248.0● +0.1 2.50
Do Acc 357.8 380.9● +0.2 2.50
General Income 606.5 642.9 -1.8 4.12
Do Accum £12.99 13.45 -0.03 4.12
Gilt & Fixed Int 60.9 66.0● -0.4 8.84
Do Accum 93.9 100.1 -0.6 8.84
Gold Income 32.3 34.6 +0.3 3.36
Do Accum 33.9 38.3 +0.2 3.36
High Income Inc 308.5 333.2● -7.5 5.21
Do Accum 835.6 902.7● -1.6 5.21
Intl Growth Inc 724.5 775.3 +2.8 2.00
Do Accum £11.55 12.38 +0.04 2.00
Ind Inc Inc 57.2 60.6 +0.3 5.16
Japan & Gen Inc 677.7 721.7● -0.9 0.32
Do Accum 727.1 774.4● -0.9 0.32
Japan Smaller Acc 83.2 88.6● +0.4 0.00
Midland & Gen Inc 544.8 582.9● -1.7 4.08
Do Accum £13.55 14.50 -0.04 4.08
Recovery Fund Inc 361.1 382.8 -0.5 2.85
Do Accum 462.9 490.7 -0.6 2.85
Second Gen Inc 684.2 725.2● -8.8 3.64
Do Accum £13.50 14.31 -0.00 3.64
Smaller Cos Inc 648.0 697.7 -1.5 2.81
Do Accum £10.08 10.89 -0.02 2.81
Trustee Fund Inc 441.6 472.5● -0.3 4.34
Do Accum £12.65 13.54 -0.00 4.34
Charibond Inc (3) 117.0 .. 10.15
Do Accum (3) 385.5 .. 10.15
Charifund Inc (2) 383.0 386.9 .. 5.70
Do Accum (2) 899.7 1009.7 .. 5.70
Pension Exempt (1) 449.2 469.8 -1.0 4.80
NAACIF Inc (3) 38.9 .. 8.10
Do Accum (3) 465.3 .. 8.10

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11, Devonshire Sq, London EC2M 4YR
01-623 4273
Equity Exempt 401.1 418.9 +0.4 2.37
Do Accum 507.7 530.2 +0.5 2.37
UK Market Features 74.1 79.0 +0.8 1.81
Do Accum 76.3 81.4 +0.7 1.81
Japan Performance 120.0 127.9● +0.9 0.12
Do Accum 120.5 128.5● +1.0 0.12
US Special Features 71.9 77.5● +1.1 0.88
Do Accum 72.6 78.3● +1.1 0.88
Gold & Precious Mtls 36.7 39.8 +0.1 1.81
Do Accum 37.9 41.1 +0.1 1.81
US Special Inc 60.1 64.7 +0.5 4.84
Do Accum 63.7 68.7 +0.5 4.84
European Perf Inc 76.1 80.9 -0.2 1.10
Do Accum 76.2 81.0 -0.3 1.10

MLA UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT
99-100, Sandling Rd, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX
0622 674751
MLA General 32.5 34.4● .. 2.17
MLA International 50.6 53.8 .. 0.98
MLA Gilt Units 24.5 25.9● -0.2 10.03
MLA Income 40.8 43.2● +0.3 5.20
MLA European 27.4 29.0 +0.1 0.86

MANULIFE MANAGEMENT
St Georges Way, Stevenage Herts
0438 356101
Growth Units 74.0 78.6 .. 2.67
Gilt & Fixed Int 113.3 119.4 .. 7.89
High Income Units 114.9 122.1 .. 5.44
High Yield Gilt Unit 57.7 58.7 .. 8.71
Intl Growth Units 120.1 127.8● .. 0.41
N American Units 73.5 78.1 .. 0.51
Far East Units 85.3 90.8● .. 0.24
Smaller Cos Fund 67.5 71.7● .. 1.61

MENCAP UNIT TRUST
Unicorn Hse, 252, Romford Rd, E7
01-534 5544
Mencap 135.1 143.7● -0.4 4.32

MERCURY FUND MANAGERS LTD
33, King William St, EC4R 9AS
01-280 2860
Amer Growth 103.6 110.2● +0.6 0.73
Do Accum 107.9 114.7● +0.6 0.73
Amer Income 50.1 53.7 +0.4 5.34
Do Accum 52.8 56.1 +0.4 5.34
European Growth 119.1 126.5 +2.2 1.53
Do Accum 122.3 130.0 +2.3 1.53
General 346.1 366.8 +1.0 2.06
Do Accum 403.4 429.1 +1.6 2.06
Gilt & Fixed 88.9 89.7● .. 7.82
Do Accum 100.0 101.0● .. 7.82
Income 80.6 85.7● -0.7 3.94
Do Accum 89.2 94.8● -0.7 3.94
International 225.1 240.1 -14.3 1.01
Do Accum 278.7 298.4 +1.0 1.01
Japan 117.7 125.9 -0.1 0.00
Do Accum 148.0 157.4 -0.2 0.00
Recovery 197.3 209.8● -0.2 2.36
Do Accum 210.7 222.6● -0.2 2.36
Exempt Dist 231.3 238.4 .. 2.84
Exempt Accum 353.5 364.4 .. 2.54

MIDLAND BANK GROUP UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Courtwood Hse, Silver St, Head, Sheffield S1 3RD
0742 79842
Capital Income 76.9 82.0 +0.1 2.23
Do Accum 103.8 110.8 +0.2 2.23
Commodity & Gen 107.5 114.7● +1.0 3.41
Do Accum 151.5 161.6● +1.3 3.41
Extra High Inc 60.3 64.3 -0.1 7.43
Do Accum 69.2 73.8 -0.2 7.43
Gilt & Fixed Inc 55.4 57.8● +0.1 8.85
Do Accum 90.4 94.4● +0.1 8.85
High Yield 152.4 162.5● -0.2 5.37
Do Accum 258.7 276.0● -0.3 5.37
Income 170.4 181.7 +0.2 3.56
Do Accum 277.5 295.9 +0.4 3.56
Japan & Pacific 244.1 260.3 +0.4 0.17
Do Accum 255.8 273.0 +0.5 0.17
N American Inc 116.4 124.1● +1.0 1.23
Do Accum 139.5 148.7● +1.3 1.23
Euro Gth Inc 107.9 115.0● +1.2 1.50
Do Accum 129.5 138.1● +1.5 1.50
Smaller Cos Inc 108.7 115.8 -0.4 2.19
Do Accum 114.9 122.6 -0.5 2.19

MURRAY JOHNSTONE UNIT TRUST MANAGEMENT
163, Hope Street, Glasgow G2 2UH
041 221 5252
American 117.4 125.2 +1.2 3.19
European 228.0 241.1 +0.8 0.86
Smaller Cos 207.4 221.4● +0.6 1.14

NATIONAL PROVIDENT INVESTMENT MANAGERS
48, Gracechurch St, EC3P 3HH
01-623 4200 Ext 289
NPI UK 200.7 213.6● +0.1 3.10
Do Accum 324.2 344.9● +0.1 3.10
NPI Overseas 557.3 592.8 +3.9 0.80
Do Accum 679.8 723.3 +4.6 0.80
Far East Acc 71.6 76.1 -0.3 0.70
Do Dist 71.4 76.0 -0.4 0.70
American Acc 61.2 65.2● +0.3 1.80
Do Dist 60.5 64.4● +0.3 1.80

NORWICH UNION
PO Box 4, Norwich NR1 3NG
0603 622200
Group Trust £11.66 12.30 .. 3.88
Intl Trust 128.0 134.7 .. 1.32

OPPENHEIMER TRUST MANAGEMENT
66, Cannon Street, London EC4N 6AE
dealings 01-236 3885/6/7/8/9/0
International Growth 134.0 143.4 +0.4 0.88
Income & Growth 64.2 68.7 +0.1 1.84
Worldwide Rec 62.9 66.7a +0.3 3.86
American Growth 35.0 38.5 +0.3 1.00
Japan Growth 54.6 58.4● .. 1.06
European Growth 57.6 62.0 +0.3 2.19
UK Growth 53.7 57.5● +0.1 0.95
Pacific Growth 46.3 49.8● -0.2 1.31
High Income 32.0 34.3 -0.1 7.18
Practical Income 51.7 55.0 +0.2 2.21
Do Accum 88.8 95.0 +0.5 2.21

PEARL TRUST
252, High Holborn, WC1V 7EB
01-405 8441
Growth Fund Inc 87.5 92.9● -0.4 1.89
Do Accum 131.8 140.0 -0.6 1.89
Income Fund 117.5 125.3 -0.8 3.63
Intl Equity Inc 125.3 133.3 +0.4 1.37
Do Accum 125.3 133.3 +0.4 1.37
Unit Trust Inc 122.9 131.6● -0.4 2.86
Do Accum 214.8 228.3● -0.7 2.86

PERPETUAL UNIT TRUST
48, Hart Street, Henley On Thames
0491 576868
Intl Growth 263.8 280.1 +1.1 0.79
Income 192.6 206.3 -0.2 4.38
Worldwide Rec 150.6 161.5 +0.3 1.33
Amer Growth 75.6 81.2 +0.5 0.71
Intl Emerg Co's 79.3 85.2● +0.2 0.60
Far East Growth 68.5 73.5 -0.2 0.96
European Gth 54.6 58.5 +0.5 1.46

PROLIFIC UNIT TRUSTS
222, Bishopsgate, London EC2
01-247 7544/7
International 112.8 121.0 -0.1 0.86
High Income 182.0 193.8● +0.3 4.17
Conv & Gilt 98.4 102.7● +0.1 9.08
Far Eastern 155.5 166.7 +0.3 0.00
North American 144.8 155.3 +0.6 0.84
Special Sits 210.3 224.0● +0.2 1.80
Technology 124.1 133.1● +0.6 0.00
Extra Income 86.2 91.8 +0.1 4.88

PRUDENTIAL UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
51-59, Ilford Hill, Ilford Essex, IG1 2DL
01-478 3377
Holborn Equity 393.3 418.4 -0.4 3.17
European 84.8 89.9● +1.9 0.75
Holborn Comms 53.8 57.2 +0.2 0.98
Holborn High Inc 66.0 70.2c -0.6 6.32
Holborn Ind 94.0 99.9 +0.4 0.87
Japanese 82.8 88.0 +0.3 0.05
N American 74.7 79.4● +0.3 0.38
Holborn Spec Sits 63.2 67.2 +0.1 2.60
Holborn UK Growth 80.5 85.6 .. 2.10
Holborn Gilt Trust 183.1 192.4 +0.1 2.54

QUILTER MANAGEMENT COMPANY
31-45 Gresham St, London EC2V 7LH
01-600 4177
Quadrant General 422.2 449.2 .. 2.92
Quadrant Income 240.2 255.6 .. 5.20
Quadrant Intl Fd 380.7 400.8● +6.0 1.12
Quadrant Recovery 254.0 270.3 .. 3.77

NM ROTHSCHILD ASSET MANAGEMENT
St Swithins Lane, London EC4P 4DU
01-280 5456
NC America Inc 295.2 314.0 +0.9 0.93
Do Accum 317.5 337.7 +0.9 0.93
NC Energy Res 137.4 146.1 +0.6 2.76
NC Income 85.8 91.0● -1.4 4.01
NC Japan 171.6 182.5 -0.2 0.01
NC Smaller Cos 137.0 145.7 .. 2.07
NC Smllr Europ Co's 160.6 170.8 +0.5 0.45
NC Exempt Gilt £134.0 139.0 .. 6.42
NC Amer Prop $11.57 12.18● .. ..
NC Property 173.8 182.8● .. ..

ROWAN UNIT TRUST
33 King William Street, London EC4R 9AS
01-606 5878
American (4) 239.0 242.0 .. 1.92
Securities (2) 730.0 745.0 .. 2.28
High Yield (5) 165.0 169.5● .. 5.87
Merlin (3) 386.0 394.0 .. 1.81
Fixed Interest 173.0 174.0 +0.5 2.44
High Interest 129.5 130.5 .. 11.72
Far East (3) 195.0 198.5● .. 0.33

ROYAL LIFE FUND MANAGEMENT
New Hall Place, Liverpool L69 3HS
051-227 4422
Equity Trust 61.1 65.0● -0.2 2.66
Intl Trust 71.6 76.1 +0.3 1.24
Gilt Trust 27.0 28.4c .. 8.10
US Trust 33.6 35.7 +0.2 1.36
Pacific Basin Tst 35.9 38.1 .. 0.56

ROYAL LONDON UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
Royal London House, Colchester CO1 1RA
0206 576115
American Growth 93.3 99.3 +0.1 0.76
Capital Accum 179.0 190.5● -0.7 2.14
Gilt Income 58.2 61.3 .. 8.45
High Income 81.4 86.6● +0.4 4.81
Income & Growth 100.0 106.4● +0.4 4.27
Japan Growth 75.3 80.2● -0.4 0.08
Special Sits 101.7 108.2 +1.1 1.41

SAVE & PROSPER
28, Western Rd, Romford RM1 3LB
68-73, Queen St, Edinburgh EH2 4NX
(Romford) 0708-66966 Or (Edin) 031-226 7351
Amer Inc & Growth 68.0 72.7● +0.4 7.31
Capital Units 98.8 105.6 +0.2 2.36
Commodity 45.7 48.8 +0.4 1.83
Energy Inds 44.9 48.0 .. 4.12
European Growth 93.3 99.7 +1.9 0.81
Exempt Inc Bnd 80.6 85.2● .. 5.06
Do Intl (43) 59.3 62.5● +0.2 2.33
Exploration 38.0 40.6 +0.4 0.00
Financial Secs 92.9 99.3● .. 2.15
Gilt & Fxd Inc 55.1 58.0 .. 10.85
High Return Units 184.0 196.7 -0.2 4.85
High Yield Units 165.3 176.7 -0.1 4.16
Income Units 95.4 102.0 +0.3 5.21
Investment Trust 84.1 89.9 -0.2 2.91
International 104.1 110.7 -0.2 3.66
Japan Growth 90.0 95.5 -0.2 ..
Japan Smaller Cos 112.1 119.6 -0.6 ..
Masterfund 27.8 29.7● +0.1 3.09
New Technology 97.9 104.7 +1.0 ..
SE Asia Growth 81.1 87.4● +0.4 3.08
Scotbits 125.3 135.0 -0.4 2.86
Scotshares 154.6 165.2● -0.1 2.98

Scotyields 127.2 135.7 -0.2 3.62
Select International 72.4 77.4 +0.1 1.68
Smaller Co's Inc 157.5 168.4 +0.1 4.16
Special Situations 95.2 101.8 +0.1 1.91
UK Equity 181.5 194.1 +0.2 2.49
US Growth 77.9 83.3 +0.3 1.62
Universal Growth 81.7 87.5 -0.1 1.43

SCHRODER UNIT TRUST
Enterprise House, Portsmouth
0705 827733
American Inc 132.6 142.6● .. 0.82
Do Accum 136.7 146.2● -0.3 0.82
Australian Inc 62.4 67.0 -0.3 1.84
Do Accum 67.0 72.0 -0.3 1.84
European Inc 104.0 111.2 +0.5 1.14
Do Accum 106.8 114.2 +0.6 1.14
Gilt & Fixed Inc 57.6 60.5 +0.7 8.81
Do Accum 86.7 91.6 .. 8.81
Gold Fund Inc 27.8 29.5● -0.1 5.71
Do Accum 28.9 30.5● -0.1 5.71
Income 173.9 185.9● -0.3 4.80
Do Accum 389.1 415.0● -0.4 4.80
Intl Income 108.3 115.8● -1.0 0.48
Do Accum 149.8 160.0● +1.4 0.46
Jap Smlr Co's Ac 127.7 135.5 +1.8 0.10
Singapore & Malay 44.1 47.1● +1.8 1.17
Do Accum 45.6 48.8● +1.1 1.17
Smaller Co's Inc 126.7 135.8● +0.2 1.15
Do Accum 133.0 142.2● +0.2 1.15
Special Sits Inc 102.4 109.5 +2.0 1.01
Do Accum 104.6 111.2 +2.0 1.01
Tokyo Fund Inc 197.1 210.7 +2.0 0.29
Do Accum 200.2 213.0 +2.0 0.29
US Smaller Co's Ac 61.1 65.3● +0.6 0.10
UK Equity Inc 100.7 107.9 .. 3.00
Do Accum 145.3 155.2● +0.1 3.00
Recovery 609.3 650.3 .. 1.80
Special Exempt 113.9 121.1 +0.5 1.22
Pensions & Charity 307.3 329.4 .. 2.07
Extra Income 56.2 60.4● .. 5.87

SCIMITAR ASSET MANAGERS
33-36 Gracechurch St London EC3V 0AX
01-623 5776/8711
UK Equity Inc 25.0 .. 5.20
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Managed Exempt 114.1 121.4 .. 4.00

SCOTTISH EQUITABLE
28, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh
031-556 9101
Intl Income Units 147.2 156.7 .. 3.21
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SCOTTISH LIFE INVESTMENTS
19, St Andrews Sq, Edinburgh
031 225 2211
UK Equity 178.8 191.3 -0.6 1.85
American 157.0 169.0 +1.6 1.23
Pacific 158.4 169.5 +0.5 0.06
European 209.3 223.9 -1.4 0.85

SCOTTISH MUTUAL INVESTMENT MANAGERS
109, Vincent St, Glasgow G2 5HN
041-248 6100
UK Equity 167.9 178.7 -1.1 2.38
Gilt & Fixed 119.0 126.6 .. 7.59
UK Smlr Co's Eq 144.5 153.8 -0.6 1.81
European 172.2 183.2 +0.1 0.81
N American 114.2 121.5 +1.2 1.35
Pacific 149.2 158.8 .. 0.40

SCOTTISH UNIT TRUST
29, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh
031-226 4372
Pacific 54.8 58.7● -0.3 0.30
World Growth 35.5 38.0● +0.1 0.98
N American 36.1 38.7● -0.2 1.27
Income Fund 44.8 48.0● -0.1 4.79
European 37.6 40.3 +0.7 0.84
N Amer Inc 26.8 28.7 -0.2 2.81
UK Growth 30.9 33.1 -0.1 3.38
Extra Inc 32.0 34.3● .. 5.08

SCOTTISH WIDOWS
PO Box 902, Edinburgh EH16 5BU
031-655 6000
Peg Eq Inc 230.1 244.9● -0.6 3.00
Do Accum 265.0 282.0● -0.8 3.00

SENTINEL FUNDS MANAGEMENT
30, City Rd, London EC1Y 2AY
01-638 6011
Amer Tech & Gen 108.5 114.1 +0.7 0.55
Pacific 169.7 178.9 -0.5 0.01
Sec Income Fnd 172.5 184.8● -0.2 4.54
Special Situations 211.0 225.0● -0.3 2.18
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American Majors 73.6 77.7 +0.1 1.12
Small Co's 37.1 39.3 -0.2 1.40
Japan Tech & Gen 96.1 101.7● .. 0.01
International Income 29.7 39.8● +0.1 4.96
Exempt 535.4 572.9● .. 2.83
UK General 33.7 35.0● -0.5 2.32
Euro Growth 29.7 31.6 +1.0 0.03
Euro Income 35.5 38.0● +0.4 4.00

SIMON & COATES
1, London Wall Bldgs, London EC2M 5PT
01-588 3644 Ext 357
Special Sits (5) 49.8 53.2● .. 0.80

STANDARD LIFE
3, George St, Edinburgh EH2 2XZ
031 225 2552
Income Units 24.9 26.7a .. 3.08
Do Accum Units 27.5 29.5a .. 3.08

STEWART, IVORY UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
45, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh
031-226 3271
American Fund 238.5 254.1 +2.0 2.30
Do Accum 267.9 285.3 +2.2 2.30
Do Withdrawal 160.5 178.4 -2.1 2.30
Australian Fund 118.5 128.2● -1.4 1.09
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Japan Fund 287.4 306.1 +1.6 0.23
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SUN ALLIANCE
Sun Alliance Hse, Horsham, Sussex
0403 56293
Equity Trust Acc 388.0 410.8 +0.2 2.24
N Am Trust Acc 61.1 65.0 -0.4 1.01
Far East Trust Acc 70.9 75.4 .. 0.04

TSB UNIT TRUSTS
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0264 62188 Dealings:0264 6432
American Inc 124.7 132.7 +0.6 0.99
Do Accum 129.8 138.1 +0.6 0.99
Extra Income Inc 107.1 113.9 +0.2 5.15
Do Accum 125.2 133.1 +0.3 5.15
General Unit Inc 150.0 159.5 .. 2.61
Do Accum 245.5 261.1 .. 2.61
Gilt & Fixed Inc 48.8 51.8● -0.1 8.23
Do Accum 64.8 67.5● -0.1 8.23
Income 213.1 226.8● .. 4.32
Accum 332.5 353.8● +0.1 4.22
Pacific Inc 137.8 146.5c -0.2 0.43
Do Accum 141.3 150.3c -0.1 0.43
Intl Inc 296.3 315.2● +2.0 1.39
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Selected Opps Inc 59.6 63.2 +0.2 1.79
Do Accum 65.2 69.3 +0.3 1.79
Natural Res 43.6 46.6● +0.2 2.83
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TARGET TRUST MANAGERS
Target House, Gatehouse Rd, Aylesbury Bucks
0296 5941

Amer Eagle 77.1 82.0● +0.2 7.00
Australia 17.9 19.0 -0.2 0.10
Commodity 67.8 72.7 -0.2 1.70
Energy 30.8 33.0 -0.2 2.62
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European Spec Sits 89.4 95.0● +0.7 2.08
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Gilt Income 105.7 112.6● -0.2 7.78
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Pacific Inc 81.8 88.1 +1.2 0.71
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Do Accum (3) 180.2 190.8● .. 1.82

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2, St Mary Axe, London EC3A 8BP
01 928-3355
Smaller Co's 66.7 70.9● -0.2 0.18

TOUCHE REMNANT
Mermaid House, 2, Puddle Dock, London EC4V 3AT
01-248 1250
American Growth 42.6 45.7 +0.5 0.70
General Growth 53.1 57.3 +0.4 3.15
Global Tech 46.4 48.6● +0.4 0.16
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TRANSATLANTIC & GENERAL SECURITIES
M & G House, Chelmsford
0245 266266
Colonco Inc (3) 441.6 461.3 .. 3.46
Do Accum (3) 720.2 752.3 .. 3.46

TYNDALL MANAGERS
18, Canynge Rd, Bristol
0272 732241
Australian 62.8 67.2● -0.6 2.67
Do Acc 64.4 69.9● -0.7 2.67
Capital 312.2 332.5● -0.4 3.28
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Far Eastern 151.6 162.1 +1.1 0.67
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Fin & Prop 51.3 54.6 -0.1 3.41
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Gilt Capital 126.0 131.4 -0.1 8.41
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Intl Earnings 161.0 171.6 +0.4 2.88

UK PROVIDENT UT MANAGERS
UK House, Castle St, Salisbury SP1 3SH
0722 336242
UK Equity 119.0 126.1 +0.8 ..
Pacific Basin 128.0 135.7 -1.3 ..
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VANGUARD TRUST
65 Holborn Viaduct EC1A 2EU
01-236 3053
Growth Inc 185.7 197.6 -0.1 2.08
Do Accum 270.0 287.3 -0.2 2.08
High Yield 210.5 224.1 -0.5 4.52
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Master Portfolio 259.55 61.21● +0.05 3.47
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Wardley House, 7, Devonshire Sq, London EC2
01-929 1532
American Trust 69.8 74.5● +0.5 1.50
Far East & Gen 87.2 92.7 +0.2 1.00
Intl Growth 68.6 73.0● +0.2 0.80
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Japan Growth 104.3 112.6● +0.2 0.20
Smaller Companies 115.6 124.3 -0.4 1.50
Technology 33.4 36.0● .. 0.20
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WAVERLEY ASSET MANAGEMENT
13, Charlotte Sq, Edinburgh
031-225 1551
Australian Gold 15.9 17.0 -0.2 0.15
Pacific Basin Energy 15.2 16.2● .. 0.20
Canadian Bal Gth 60.6 64.7● -0.3 0.77
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WHITTINGDALE UNIT TRUST MANAGERS
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01-606 9085/6
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WINDSOR TRUST MANAGERS LTD
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01-405 8331
Conv & Equity 48.6 52.0 -0.1 7.67
Income 53.7 57.2 +0.1 5.13
Growth 51.0 54.3 -0.1 2.28

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Hanson commercials gloss over figures

Hanson Trust seems to think that corporate advertising on television is a substitute for detailed facts and figures. Denholm Elliot and Joe Don Baker are making an excellent job of presenting Hanson's varied activities every night of the week, but show business is not enough for stock market investors.

Yesterday they had cause for complaint as the company has abandoned its detailed breakdown of activities in favour of just four headings – consumer, building products, industrial and brewing and food. With activities as diverse as Allders department stores in Britain and shoe manufacturing in America lumped together it is difficult, if not impossible, to track the performance of individual activities, without guidance from the company.

Group profits rose from £106 million to £158 million before tax after a £20 million contribution from SCM, the typewriter and titanium dioxide company acquired this year. The results also benefited from lower interest charges after the rights issue last summer but there was a £10 million adverse swing from currency movements.

Allowing for these factors, it looks as if profits on existing businesses grew by only 13 per cent, though it is difficult to be firm on this.

With SCM included for a full six months in the second half and Imperial also making a contribution, profits this year could reach £450 million, suggesting a multiple of 13 times prospective earnings with the shares at 182p. That rating should recover as further SCM disposals are announced and Hanson gets to grip with Imperial. So far Hanson has raised £155 million from SCM sales and it expects to fetch a similar amount over the next few months.

Hanson may not worried about its rating, as it presumably is not planning to add to the weight of paper already in the market, but investors are.

Sketchley

Say "dry-cleaning" in consumer surveys, and 94 per cent of the population will say "Sketchley", a level of unprompted recognition to satisfy most brand managers.

Mr Malcolm Glenn, the group chief executive appointed a year ago, said Sketchley's strategy is to build on its strengths. On the consumer side, this means making the shops more attractive, providing a wider range of services like mending clothes, key-cutting and shoe repairs, and making the services easier to use. The Pronto Bag (into which the customer puts his laundry with a note of the services required and his credit card number) and removals with housecleaning, a new service, could prove attractive to busy professionals.

The company will also press ahead in franchising dry-cleaning outlets in the North of England. Compared with £8,000 per self-operated outlet, Sketchley can make £6,000 per franchised outlet, with no capital employed. There have been no shortages of potential franchisees, and to speed up the acquisition of sites, Sketchley will negotiate for them on behalf of the franchisees.

On the industrial side, as well as providing washroom services and hiring and cleaning workwear, Sketchley will offer to collect and deliver Pronto Bags for employees, and will provide coffee vending machines through the recently acquired vending subsidiary, Breakmate.

The preliminary results for the year to March 28, 1986, announced yesterday, showed pretax profit up 16 per cent to £11.6 million on turnover of £153 million, down 2 per cent due mainly to currency.

The US businesses, which were a drain on management, have been sold for £25.5 million to give a surplus of £2 million over book value. The remaining US napkin business (book value £6.5 million) is likely to be disposed of, leaving the way clear for orderly expansion from the group's Canadian base of dry-cleaning outlets in Toronto.

After disposals, the group had net cash of £3.3 million compared with 35 per cent gearing in March 1985. After paying £3.5 million for CCM, the uniform and workwear sales and manufacturing company it is negotiating for, there will be plenty of funds available to pursue expansion overseas.

This means that those who bought Sketchley shares for the discount offered shareholders on services will probably clean up.

Norcros

The stock market is expecting too much too soon from Norcros. Since it bid for UBM last year its shares have risen by more than 100p to yesterday's near record of 262p, as investors anticipated the benefits of the acquisition.

Yesterday's figures for the year to March show that the gains from UBM have yet to emerge.

Pretax profits rose from £34.3 million to £45.1 million, helped by UBM's maiden contribution. But UBM's profitability was unchanged and Norcros's tile and other building material manufacturing operations increased profits only slightly.

There was a £3 million turnround in the heavy engineering business which is up for sale and a near £2 million improvement in the print and packaging business.

The company says it is pleased with the UBM acquisition. It is noticeable, however, that the expected increase in sales of Norcros products through UBM outlets, outlined in the chairman's last report to shareholders, has not taken place. In addition the acquisition involved a goodwill write-off of £47 million.

In view of the slow response at UBM it is perhaps not surprising that Norcros is now concentrating on organic rather than acquired growth. That is despite its claim that it could afford to make an acquisition.

Specialized packaging, which takes in combined labelling and stock control systems for retail stores, has been identified as the main growth area.

This year greater efficiencies on the manufacturing side and an improvement at UBM should propel profits to possibly £53 million.

That suggests a price/earnings ratio of 10. Shareholders may have to wait for longer than they hoped for the rewards of UBM but the rating is modest enough to make the wait worthwhile.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Dee placing could raise £630m

By Michael Clark

Dee Corporation, the fast growing food retailer, looks ready to shake the market today with the biggest vendor placing undertaken in the stock market.

Rowe & Pitman, the broker, is expected to announce a placing of 270 million shares at 235p to raise about £630 million. The placing will be in two parts with Associated British Foods being allotted 120 million shares, worth about £280 million, in return for its Fine Fare supermarket chain.

The remaining 150 million shares will be placed in the market with various institutions in partly paid form. This manoeuvre may be designed to appease the big fund managers who are complaining that their cash resources are being overstretched. Investors will pay 100p now for their shares with another 100p due at the end of the month and the balance at the end of September.

Mr Alec Monk, chairman and chief executive at Dee, intends to use the rest of the proceeds to reduce the group's growing debt and strengthen the balance sheet.

Shares of Dee Corporation hit 268p yesterday before the market got wind of the placing after hours. The price eventually closed 10p lower at 253p. Dee already boasts several famous supermarket chains including Key Markets, International Stores, Carrefour and Gateway. But attempts at winning control of Booker McConnell earlier this year ended in failure.

Meanwhile, hopes of another early cut in bank base rates of ½ per cent to 9½ per cent cheered the rest of the equity market with the FT 30-share Index finishing up 4.0 at 1,320.4. The FT-SE 100 gained 5.7 at 1,602.2.

James Capel, the broker, yesterday published a major review of Rugby Portland and rate the shares, ½p firmer at 171p, as a "buy". Capel is looking for pretax profits of £30.9 million in 1986 against a depressed £21.8 million last time and £38 million for next year where the prospective p/e is 9.8.

Gilts suffered an early mark down with prices falling by £¾ following the overnight setback on Wall Street. But they recovered to close virtually unchanged on the day.

Renewed American buying lifted **Reuters** 12p to 455p after news of a domestic placing of shares in New York. American influences also lifted **ICI** 3p to 920p and **Jaguar** 2p to 493p, after 496p.

Insurance shares took a tumble after reports that the State of Florida wanted to reduce insurance premiums which have soared over the past couple of years. But prices recovered from their worst levels. **Commercial Union** finished 3p lower at 303p. **General Accident** 13p at 799p, **Guardian Royal** 10p at 829p and **Royal Insurance** 25p to 854p.

Lower energy costs have meant that cement manufacturers have decided to postpone the 4 per cent price increase that had been planned for next month. Most of the manufacturers took the news in their stride with **RMC Group** on 652p and **Rugby Portland Cement** on 171p. Both closed all square on the day.

But **Blue Circle**, Britain's biggest producer, tumbled 15p to 661p after a gloomy statement at the annual meeting by Mr John Milne, chairman. He said sales during the first three months had suffered from the exceptionally bad weather. Demand for cement this year was likely to be similar to that during 1985, he said.

Brewery shares enjoyed a sparkling performance after publication of the latest beer production figures for April. These showed a 7.2 per cent increase to 3.04 million barrels, but the figure for the year, so far, is still down 0.7 per cent at 11.104 million bulk barrels.

Allied-Lyons led the way higher with a 10p rise to 343p after the news earlier this week that it has launched a legal suit for £4.5 billion against the Canadian group Hiram Walker Resources. Others to go better included **Bass**, 7p to 782p, **Grand Metropolitan**, 5p to 391p, **Scottish & Newcastle**, 3p to 196p, and **Guinness**, 2p to 303p.

Note the strength again yesterday in shares of struggling specialist engineer Bestobell, up 20p at a new high of 447p, after 452p, where BTR still owns a 24 per cent stake. Marketmen fancy BTR may soon be ready to either bid for the rest, or pass its stake on for someone else to make the move.

Shares of **IBL**, the IBM computer leasing group, were suspended at 123p pending an announcement. Full-year figures were due out yesterday, but the announcement was postponed. The group had forecast pretax profits of £12 million for 1985, compared with £7.5 million in 1984, after coming to market a year ago at 140p.

Mr Michael Ashcroft's **Hawley Group**, battling for control of Pritchard Services Group, is continuing to drum up support for the shares from American investors. A total of 38.81 million shares (16.2 per cent) are now registered with National City Nominees in the form of American Depositary Receipts. Mr Ashcroft has just returned from a trip to Tokyo where he met some of the big Japanese funds' managers. Hawley was steady at 126p.

That old takeover favourite, **Davy Corporation**, where Trafalgar House holds a near 5 per cent stake, continued to enjoy further selective support with a 3p rise to 106p. Despite Trafalgar's agreed bid for John Brown, some investors still believe that Trafalgar will eventually turn its attention to Davy. An attempt by Trafalgar recently to place its holding was aborted.

Bid hopes lifted **Redfearn National Glass**, the glass and plastics container manufacturer, 7p to 240p, after 245p.

De La Rue profits rise by 6% to £49.4m

By Carol Ferguson

The turnover of De La Rue, which supplies banknotes to more than 50 countries, slipped by 8 per cent to £310 million in the year to March 31 last. But pretax profits were up by 6 per cent to £49.4 million.

The fall in turnover was due to the exclusion of the results of Security Express which was sold in June last year. On a turnover of £40 million, its profits were little more than £1 million.

Had it not been for the fall in the value of the dollar, a further £3 million to £4 million would have been added

Some 90 per cent of the group's products are sold overseas, either exported or manufactured overseas.

The group's traditional security business was static in trading profit terms after taking into account the disposal of Security Express. In the year just ended, it contributed 72 per cent of trading profit.

McCorquodale up 14%

McCorquodale, the specialist printing and packaging group, produced a 14.6 per cent increase in pretax profits to £5.8 million in the half-year to March 31.

A £110 million bid by Norton Opax, the printer, has been referred to the Monopolies Commission.

Trading profits were 48 per cent higher on sales 2.5 per cent ahead. The contribution from associates fell from £2 million to £1.3 million due to a £700,000 drop in profit from Brazil, which had an exceptionally good year in 1984-85.

The trading improvement came mainly from Britain and the US, with profits from security printing up strongly and the book and magazine business making excellent progress.

McCORQUODALE PLC

Interim Results for the half year ended 31 March 1986

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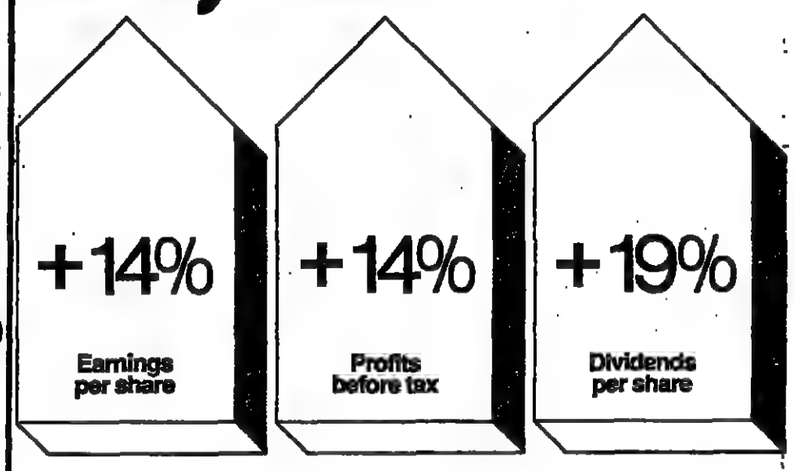

- New market and business opportunities are constantly being examined.
- The group is confident of sustaining organic growth.
- All businesses – International Security printing, Book and Magazine printing, Publishing, and Packaging and International colour cards – report improvements.
- Results confirm nine year trend in profit growth.

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COMPANY NEWS

- **RATNERS (JEWELLERS):** Of the 8,222,872 new ordinary shares by way of rights, more than 97 per cent have been taken up.
- **PARAGON RESOURCES:** The company was on the verge of making a final decision to develop its wholly owned Temora gold deposit in New South Wales, Australia, Sir Ernest Lee-Steere, the chairman, said at the annual meeting.
- **BRIDGE OIL:** The company has completed the sale of its 15 per cent interest in Santos to Elders Resources.
- **KEYWEST INVESTMENTS:** The company stands to show a profit, on book value, of at least Aus$1 million (£482,000) on the sale for more than Aus$5 million cash of its interest in Murrumbidgee Holdings, the New South Wales milk distributor and yoghurt manufacturer, to Boniac Foods.
- **CITY AND FOREIGN INVESTMENT:** At close of business on May 30, the estimated net asset value per share was 143.4p.
- **AMEC:** Agreement has now been reached for the merger of the private house building activities of the homes division of the company's subsidiary Fairclough Building, with those of Hammerfine and those of Lintonbrow.
- **MOORGATE GROUP:** The company has reached agreement for the acquisition of Poulter Tenneson, an advertising agency based in Covent Garden.
- **PRITCHARD SERVICES:** The company says that it has entered a conditional agreement to sell its home health care interests in the US, operating under the Kimberly name, to Superior Care, for $20 million ($13.5 million).
- **RFD GROUP:** The chairman has sent a letter to shareholders in which he states that the board has considered the documents setting out the increased offer from Wardle Storeys. The board will be writing to shareholders later with its advice on the increased offer before it closes on June 19.
- **HEADLAM, SIMS AND COGGINS:** Directors are recommending a dividend of 0.5p (1p) for year to January 31, paying on July 4. Figures in £000: group turnover 7,203 (7,719), pretax profit 10 (loss 109), after exceptional debt nil (115), tax credit 18 (nil), extraordinary credit 36 (nil), earnings per share 0.63p (nil).
- **PLYSU:** Final 1.9p making 2.7p (2.17p) for year to March 31. Figures in £000: turnover 34,033 (27,888), profit before tax 4,567 (3,872), tax 1,710 (1,561), earnings per share 11.9p (9.8p).
- **LENORA EXPLORATIONS:** The company has completed a unit offering of 500,000 shares on the Vancouver Stock Exchange at Can$1 (49p) with two B warrants entitling the holder to convert into one common share at Can$1.09 by November 24.
- **S W FARMER GROUP:** The annual meeting scheduled to be held on June 11 has been postponed.

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

Alumasc (150p)	148	
Antler (130p)	121	
Arlington (115p)	163	
Ashley (L) (135p)	185	
Barker (Charles) (150p)	155	+5
Br Island (60p)	59	
Clarke Cooper (130p)	164	+1
Combined Lease (125p)	128	
Dalepak (107p)	124	
Davies DY (155p)	212	–2
Dean & B (50p)	59	+3
Debtor (130p)	138	
Earlie (39p)	39	
Evans Halshaw (120p)	115	
Fields (MRS) (140p)	125	
Green (E) (120p)	128	–2
Haggas (J) (140p)	147	
Jurys Hotel (115p)	90	
Monotype (57p)	166	
Mustarin (105p)	127	
Savage (100p)	105	
Splash Prods (72p)	70	
Templeton (215p)	200	–3
Tech Project (140p)	117	–3
Tip Top Drug (160p)	176	+3
Usher (Frank) (100p)	94	–2
Wellcome (120p)	182	+2
Westbury (145p)	156	+2
Worcester (110p)	142	
Wickes (140p)	154	–1

RIGHTS ISSUES

Cater Allen N/P	155	
Crean (J) N/P	16	
Feedex N/P	4	
Gerrard N/P	43	
Harris Queay N/P	12	+1
Lep N/P	28	–2
McCarthy Stone N/P	25	
Molynx N/P	52	+4
Prudential N/P	158	+2
Robinson (T) N/P	35	–6
Rotaprint N/P	2¼	

(Issue price in brackets).

Sheraton to seek quote

Sheraton Securities International, the Unlisted Securities Market property company, wants a full quotation on the Stock Exchange by the end of the year.

Its year-end results to March 31 show a 73 per cent rise in pretax profits to £2.3 million.

The development programme totals £150 million, with borrowings equal to shareholders' funds at £11 million.

Sheraton has bought the Caversham Bridge Group, a Reading developer, for £1.75 million

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(Unaudited)	1986	1985
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Profit before taxation	£31.2m	£28.2m
Profit after taxation	£26.0m	£23.8m
Earnings per share	23.9p*	25.2p
Dividend per share (net)	1.5p	1.5p

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- Textile Division continued to develop new markets, with particular success in the USA;
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* 1986 earnings per share based on increased share capital outstanding during the interim period.

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Isveimer Balance Sheet 1985

New credits disbursed: It. lire 1,745 Billion

Outstanding loans: It. lire 6,480 Billion

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Water bodies threaten to end support for sell-off

By Jeremy Warner, Business Correspondent

Government plans for privatizing the water industry in England and Wales, the biggest and most complex state sell-off yet proposed, have encountered renewed criticism from the Water Authorities Association.

The WAA has told the Government that it will not be able to give active support to privatization unless certain important issues which the Government has so far "done nothing about" are addressed urgently.

Mr Len Hill, chairman of the WAA, has written to the enviroment minister responsible for water, Mr John Patten, to tell him that support for privatization may have to be withdrawn if the issues are not resolved by the end of the month.

Two weeks ago Mr Hill criticized the Government for attempting to rush through poorly thought out plans for privatizing the 10 regional water authorities in England and Wales.

Mr Hill said the authorities were not being given enough time to prepare for privatization and that plans to stagger the flotations over several years were a potential area of "real trouble". Mr Hill thought that floating all 10 authorities together would be the best approach to privatization.

John Patten: deadline for urgent action

Confidential minutes of the WAA's last council meeting obtained by *The Times* give the impression of an industry which is being bullied and beaten into submitting to privatization plans with which it is far from happy.

Mr Gordon Jones, chairman of Yorkshire Water, told the meeting that several crucial issues remained to be solved before the WAA could give active support to privatization.

These included whether all the authorities should be floated simultaneously or one at a time, the future of pensions for the industry's 50,000 employees on which there was no agreement, and control of land drainage.

Mr Jones said that the Department of the Enviroment was gaining momentum in its privatization plans and "seemed to be drafting clauses before settling many financial considerations".

All the authorities are vehemently opposed to Government plans to transfer responsibility for land drainage from them to a new body controlled by the Ministry of Agriculture.

They believe such an action will permantly damage the concept of integrated water basin management under which the authorities are responsible for all aspects of the water environment.

Several authorities expressed the view that establishment of such a body would enable all extraneous activities to be taken from them, leaving them as mere water and sewerage companies.

Mr Jones reported that Kleinwort Benson, the merchant bank, had been engaged to look into the possibility of floating all authorities at once and that it indeed "seemed possible to envisage a way to get all 10 authorities privatized simultaneously by the end of 1987 if the parliamentary timetable permitted".

Government sources, while acknowledging that the idea was being explored, felt a simultaneous flotation of the industry's £27 billion of assets was not practical and would present unsurmountable logistical and stock market problems.

They also said that hundreds of millions of pounds worth of debt would have to written off at several authorities, most notably at the North West which takes in Manchester and Liverpool, to make them viable propositions for a stock market flotation.

Mr Jones told the WAA council meeting that the Department of the Enviroment seemed to have conceded that there might have to be a different mechanism for controlling price increases for each of the authorities.

The Government had hoped to apply a standard formula of the retail price index minus *x* for prices similar to that used to control the privatized British Telecom.

But the DoE now seemed to accept that the *x* factor might have to vary according to the individual needs of the 10 authorities and that some kind of mechanism for dealing with extraordinary costs such as those imposed by EEC directives would have to be devised.

APPOINTMENTS

Mono Containers and Autobar Vandabeka: Mr Philip Mitchell has been appointed managing director. He joins the board of Autobar Industrie.

Howden Management & Data Services: Mr Derek Day has been made managing director.

General Council of British Shipping: Mr W G Runciman has been elected president in succession to Sir Brian Shaw and Mr Kerry St. Johnston has been made vice-president.

Emess Lighting: Mr David Cutler has been made finance director.

Pannell Kerr Forster: Mr M B Turner joins the partnership on June 30.

Thames Television: Sir Ian Trethowan has been made a director.

CompAir Holman: Mr David Brewer becomes export sales director. Mr David Paul is made marketing director and Mr Peter Raven becomes operations director (Camborne).

Norbain Micro: Mr Ashley Ward is named as managing director.

American Can (UK): Mr Howard Lomax has been made vice-president finance, food/general and meat packaging.

Richard Hewett

Good Relations Group: Mr Mark Smith is named as group finance director.

The Teesland Investment Co: Mr Gerry Stapleton has joined the board.

Reader's Digest: Mr Richard W Hewett has been made director of international operations from October 1.

Ewbank Preece Consulting Group: Mr Alan Plumpton has been made chairman.

Gor-Ray: Mr Ronald Fidler becomes chairman.

Cannon Assurance: Mr Sid King has been made a director.

British Tissues: Mr C J Hayes and Mr M J Mills have joined the board and Mr J Simelius succeeds Mr M Nuutila to the board.

ICI aids Moscow in search for farm efficiency

From Bailey Morris
Boston, Massachusets

Imperial Chemical Industries is assisting the Soviet Union in a campaign to become self-sufficient in agriculture over five to ten years.

Sir John Harvey-Jones, chairman of ICI, told a high-level meeting of international bankers here that his company was operating four 1,000-hectare (2,471-acre) farms in the Soviet Union with the aim of teaching Russian farmers greater efficiency, particularly in growing winter wheat and seed grains.

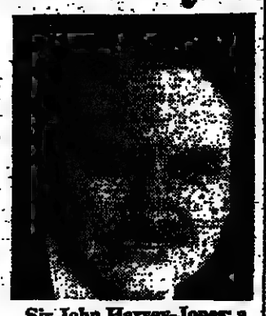
The project, which has the personal support of Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the Soviet leader and a trained agronomist, is part of a campaign by Moscow to eliminate dependence on foreign food sources.

From his own observations, Sir John believes the Soviet Union will achieve its self-sufficiency goal in only five years, duplicating India's "green revolution".

The ICI farms, similar to projects the company has undertaken in Bulgaria and Hungary, are in different regions of the Soviet Union and operated almost completely by the company. Sir John said they had been successful even from the labour standpoint.

One factor which could affect the timetable is the sterilization of land as a result of the Chernobyl nuclear accident. Sir John said it was too early to assess that damage.

● During the Boston meeting, at which officials expressed grave concern over growing protectionism in agricultural trades and other commodities,



Sir John Harvey-Jones: a Soviet "green revolution"

Canada announced that it had duties on United States products in retaliation for tariff action by the Reagan Administration against Canadian lumber.

The Canadian finance minister, Mr Michael Wilson, said: "Our objective is to bring home to the United States the cost of protectionism. Nations which resort to protectionism must be made to realize that trade is a two-way street".

Earlier, Mr Clayton Yeutter, the US Trade Representative, had said that if Canada decided to take punitive action against the US, it would "set a dangerous precedent", requiring Canada to defend its action.

The Reagan Administration's tariffs on Canadian products have been heavily criticized as an unnecessary threat to the world's largest trading relationship.

Political leaders said the action was taken to show Congress that the highly protectionist trade Bill now before the Senate was unnecessary.

Enterprise charities plan £6m merger

By Teresa Poole

A new organization to promote business start-ups by young people is to be formed this month through the merger of two charities.

The Youth Enterprise Scheme is joining with the Fairbridge Society and will offer soft loans to would-be entrepreneurs up to the the age of 26.

The combined assets of the new charity will be £6 million and a big fund-raising campaign will be launched soon after the merger.

Yes was formed in 1984 and has so far created 300 jobs by investing £366,000 in new businesses.

It makes up to £5,000 available on easy interest terms for new companies which are then monitored for progress.

The merger with the Fairbridge Society, which has double the assets, will enable the investment programme to expand.

Eight accredited centres around Britain will be opened by the end of the year to provide a channel for making loans.

Fairbridge/Yes will also act as a pump-priming agency by offering to match pound for pound, any local funding raised by the centres.

At the same time the Fairbridge Society will continue to run its Drake Fellowship, which provides adventure training for unemployed youngsters, and a job-creating project, the Fulham Palace Garden Centre, which trains young people in horticulture, landscaping and gardening.

Mr David Grayson, Director of Project North East, has been appointed chief executive of the new venture.

Mr Angus Ogilvy, chairman of Yes, said: "Unemployment among young people is fast becoming the major social problem facing the Western world today. More and more young people are looking towards the creation of a small business or cooperative venture as a means of providing themselves with permanent employment".

The scheme is aimed at unemployed youngsters but there is no discrimination in favour of disadvantaged groups.

Yes, Victoria Chambers, 16-20 Strutton Ground, London, SW1P 2HP.

COMPANY NEWS

● **GRATTAN:** While the weather has continued to be mixed, there has been a significant improvement in Grattan's sales across all merchandise ranges and trading names, shareholders at the annual meeting were told.

● **BURMAH OIL:** Mr John Maltby, the chairman, told the annual meeting that the company's future now lies primarily with its downstream operations, *Castrol* and speciality chemicals. Both divisions are international and have a strong marketing orientation. Another important business area, the transportation of LNG, is also now performing well and is a valuable cash generator.

● **ROBERT MOSS/BUNZL:** Bunzl says that the offer has been declared unconditional in all respects, all conditions having been satisfied or waived. The offer will remain open for acceptance until further notice, but the partial cash or loan note alternative will close at 3pm on June 11.

● **PACIFIC INVESTMENT TRUST:** Results for the year to March 31, 1986 (compared with the period February 28, 1984 to March 31, 1985, restated). Dividend 0.35p (0.35p). Pretax revenue £177,000 (£1.1 million). Earnings per share 0.35p (1.23p).

● **CITY OF DUBLIN:** For the six months to March 31 the interim dividend was 0.9625p (same). With figures in £000 pretax profit was 324 (309), tax was 126 (154) and earnings per share were 1.96p (1.52p).

● **J SMART AND COMPANY (*CONTRACTORS*):** The interim dividend is 1.3p net (1.2p). Members holding about 50 per cent of the shares have waived their right to this div.

● **T&S STORES:** Mr K P Threlfall, the chairman said turnover for the 16 weeks to April 24was £18,402,000 – ahead of 1985's figures by 50 per cent.

● **SIMS CATERING BUTCHERS:** The final 2.8p making 4p (nil) for the year to 31/3/86. Figures in £000: turnover 8,380 (3,321) profit on ordinary activities before tax and exceptional items 586 (405), exceptional items nil (51 debit), pretax profit 586 (354), tax 236 (126), pre-acquisition profits 45 (nil), earnings per share 8.44p (7.48p)

● **NORSK DATA:** The company announces the formation of a new subsidiary in Dublin. The Ir£6 million (£5.3 million) project begins immediately and manufacturing operations are expected to commence before the end of the year.

● **TM GROUP:** The company, formerly the Mayfair Group, has acquired 90 per cent of the share capital of Hargreaves Vending, a supplier of beverages *and dispensing machines.*

● **TR NATURAL RESOURCES:** The company has proposed a one for one capitalization. Final 4.75p making 8.25p (7.5) for year to 31/3/86. Figures in £000, total income 5,751 (4,503), debenture and loan interest payable 795 (55), administrative expenses 487 (62), revenue before tax 4,469 (3,986), tax 1,655 (1,605), earnings per share 9.33p (7.87p), net asset value after deducting prior charges at par 294.4p (318.4p).

● **ASHLEY INDUSTRIAL TRUST:** Of the recent issue of 2,009,600 A ordinary shares, 1,904,790 (94.78 per cent) have been taken up. The balance has been sold for the benefit of those holders who did not take up their rights.

● **AIRFLOW STREAMLINES:** Final 1.25p making 1.5p (1p) for year to February 28, pay July 22. Figs in £000, turnover 32,589 (26,717), profit before tax 967 (624), tax 402 (221), earnings per share 6.01p (4.12p).

● **LAIRD GROUP:** The chairman told shareholders that in 1986, group capital spending was expected to rise to £22 million which would mean that about £48 million would have been spent in the last three years.

● **PETRANOL:** Dr Norman White, the chairman, said that his board welcomed the withdrawal of the Inoco bid following the ruling of the takeover panel on May 30.

● **LAMONT HOLDINGS:** The chairman said that results to the end of April 1986 have been on budget. The company's offer for the ordinary shares in Shaw Carpets was declared unconditional on April 24. The company had investigated the methods of management and had now made plans for the future.

Sinking oil platforms to be raised 6 metres

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

Engineers have found a solution to the North Sea's sinking oilfield, the Ekofisk complex in the Norwegian sector.

Five of the six platforms in the field, operated by Phillips, will be jacked up and another six metres welded on to theirlegs in a £194 million operation which will involve closing the field, one of the North Sea's most prolific, for four weeks.

Phillips hopes the platforms will be raised before the winter of 1987-88.

Measurements by satellite have confirmed that the structures have already sunk three metres and are likely to go on sinking by 40 centimetres a year.

The seabed subsidence is due to the oil-bearing rock, made up from the bodies of millions of microscopic sea creatures, being crushed

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GROUP SALES AND PROFITS
Group trading profit before interest increased to £43.5 million on sales which declined from £337 million to £310 million, following the disposal of Security Express. Margins increased from 12.6% to 14.0%.

THOMAS DE LA RUE CURRENCY DIVISION
had a very good year and all its production units performed well. The chief task in the present year will be the integration of the banknote and travellers cheque elements of the Bradbury Wilkinson business, and the realisation of the benefits which are obtainable from the merger.

THOMAS DE LA RUE SECURITY SYSTEMS PRINT DIVISION.
The Security printing elements of the Bradbury Wilkinson business at Gatwick, Aylesbury and Windsor will add considerably to our capacity and to our ability to compete, particularly in international markets, for security printing work.

CROSFIELD ELECTRONICS
had another splendid year. It has maintained its technical lead over competitive products, thereby pushing up its market share while at the same time managing to improve its margins. Pre-tax profits increased by nearly 30%, to just over £12 million, making Crosfield a major contributor to the Group's profitability.

DE LA RUE SYSTEMS
was again a dull spot, with profit at about the same level as last year.

SOUTH AMERICAN OPERATIONS
had an excellent year in spite of the decline in the value of the Colombian Peso and heavy inflation in Brazil.

OPERATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES
again produced mixed results but there are some promising new products in the pipeline.

FULL YEAR RESULTS

	Year to 31 March 1986 £000	1985 £000
TURNOVER		
Security	182,205*	223,008
Crosfield Electronics	127,647	113,992
	309,852	337,000
PROFIT BEFORE TAX	49,359	46,434
PROFIT ATTRIBUTABLE (After Taxation and Minority Interests)	32,163	30,046
NET PROFIT FOR THE YEAR (After Extraordinary Items)	36,236	24,933
Trading Margin	14.0%	12.6%
Earnings per Ordinary share	84.4p	78.9p
Proposed Final Dividend (net)	24.75p	21.75p

*Excludes Security Express Ltd., sold 4 June 1985.

The figures for the year to 31 March 1986 are abridged from the Group's full accounts for that period, which have received an unqualified auditors' opinion and will be filed with the Registrar of Companies after the Annual General Meeting.

Copies of the Preliminary Report and Chairman's Statement are available from The Secretary: De La Rue House, Burlington Gardens, London W1A 1DL.

Enterpri[se] charitie[s] plan £6[m] merger

By Teresa Po[ole]

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PROSPECTUS 10TH JULY 1985

DESCRIPTION AND TAX RELIEF: 1 National Savings Yearly Plan (Yearly Plan) is a savings scheme (the Scheme) offered by the Director of Savings on behalf of the Treasury under the National Loans Act 1968. Under the Scheme an agreement is made to make 12 monthly payments leading to the issue of a certificate. The agreement also provides for the applicant to be offered an option to make payments under subsequent agreements, each of 12 monthly payments. Options are exercised by making the first relevant payment and without making a further application but only if at least 7 valid payments are made under the immediately preceding agreement and have not been repaid before the certificate date. Certificates issued under the Scheme are National Savings Certificates and the Scheme is subject to the terms of this prospectus and to the Savings Certificates (Yearly Plan) Regulations 1984, or any other regulations relating to savings certificates in force for the time being. Repayment of principal, together with any interest due, will be a charge on the National Loans Fund with recourse to the Consolidated Fund, and any interest will be free of United Kingdom income tax and capital gains tax.

DEFINITIONS: 2 In this prospectus "applicant" means an eligible person (as defined in paragraph 3) who enters into a Yearly Plan agreement.
"certificate date" means the date one year after the first of the month which follows the month of the first payment. It will be shown on the certificate.
"certificate value" means the capitalised value of payments made under the agreement together with interest earned on the payments at the certificate date.
"holder" means the person in whose name payments are being made under a Yearly Plan agreement. A certificate issued under the Scheme will be registered in the holder's name.
"initial agreement" means the first agreement made following an application to join the Scheme.
"subsequent agreement" means a second or further agreement which follows on from the initial agreement by the exercise of the relevant option.
"interest rates date" means the date which determines the interest rates which are applicable to an agreement, set out in an offer letter. For an initial agreement it is the date a valid application is received by the Savings Certificate and SAYE Office, Durham (Yearly Plan Section). For a subsequent agreement it is an anniversary of this date.
"offer letter" means the letter sent to the applicant by the Savings Certificate and SAYE Office, Durham (Yearly Plan Section), notifying him of the interest rates and other details of his agreement.

ELIGIBILITY: 3 A Yearly Plan agreement may be applied for
(i) by any individual who has reached the age of 7 years and is not under a legal disability other than by reason of his age, or
(ii) by such an individual on behalf of and in the name of a person under the age of 7 years at the date a valid application is received at the Yearly Plan Section, or
(iii) by a receiver on behalf of and in the name of a mentally disordered person, or
(iv) by not more than 2 trustees, either corporate or individual, where the beneficiaries of [redacted]

APPLICATION: 4 An applicant will complete an application form. The standing order mandate form which forms part of the application must show the day in the month on which payments are to be made. But the Yearly Plan Section will enter the month in which the first payment is to be made and send the standing order mandate to the bank. The due date for the first payment will be no less than one month and no more than two months after the interest rates date. To start the agreement the first payment must be made on the due date. Subsequent payments will be due on the same day of the month in the following 11 months.

INTEREST RATES NOTIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE PROCEDURE: 5 The interest rates applicable to an agreement will be notified to the applicant in an offer letter sent by post to the applicant's address. If the applicant rejects the offer the standing order mandate must be cancelled so as to prevent the first payment from being made.

PAYMENTS: 6 Payments may be made only under a standing order mandate acceptable to the Director of Savings. Payments can be made in this manner by the applicant or by any person or body on his behalf. All such payments, once made, will become the property of the holder.
7 Only one payment per agreement may be made in each of the 12 months of an agreement and each payment must be for the same amount.
8 In the event of the death (other than of a trustee or receiver) of either the applicant or holder no further payments may be made under the agreement without the consent of the Director of Savings. Any payments made in breach of this paragraph will be refunded without interest.

LIMITS: 9 The minimum monthly payment under the Scheme is £20. All monthly payments must be in multiples of £5. The total of all payments under the Scheme for the benefit of any one holder must not exceed £200 in any month. A holder who is a trustee will be treated separately in his personal capacity and in his capacity as trustee, and separately in respect of each separate trust fund.

SUBSEQUENT AGREEMENTS: 10 Provided that at least 7 valid payments are made under an immediately preceding agreement leading to the issue of a certificate, the applicant has an option to enter into a subsequent agreement on the terms of this prospectus as amended in accordance with paragraphs 21 and 22. The applicant takes up the option by continuing the standing order payments provided the first payment under the subsequent agreement is made on the due date. If the applicant does not wish to take up the option the standing order mandate must be cancelled.
11 Payments on subsequent agreements must be for the same amount and be made on the same day of the month, as for the preceding agreement.

TRANSFERS: 12 Agreements are transferable only with the consent of the Director of Savings. Certificates are transferable in the same way as other savings certificates.

INTEREST ON PAYMENTS UP TO CERTIFICATE DATE: 13 Monthly payments in respect of which a certificate is issued will each earn simple interest for each complete calendar month up to the certificate date. Interest begins on the first day of the month following the month of payment. If monthly payments are repaid before the certificate date no interest is payable.

INTEREST ON CERTIFICATES: 14 A certificate showing the certificate value at the certificate date will be sent to the applicant. The certificate value will earn interest compounded annually on the anniversaries of the certificate date for each whole calendar month from the certificate date up to the date of repayment or the fourth anniversary of the certificate date, whichever is earlier.

BASIS ON WHICH INTEREST IS EARNED: 15 If at least 7 payments are made under an agreement the interest rates to be applied to individual payments and to the certificate value will be those set out in the relevant offer letter.
16 If six or fewer payments are made under an agreement the interest rate will be 3% p.a. This rate will apply both to the individual payments and to the certificate value.

REPAYMENT: 17 The only permissible units of repayment are
(a) whole certificates together with accrued interest,
(b) all the payments so far made.
18 Repayment will be made on application in writing to the Yearly Plan Section. The repayment warrant will normally be put in the post within 14 working days of receiving an application, but repayment within this period cannot be guaranteed and it is advisable to apply as far in advance as possible. Repayment will be made by crossed warrant. For the purpose of this prospectus the date of repayment shall be deemed to be the date on the warrant.
19 No repayment will be made in respect of an agreement or Yearly Plan certificate held by a holder under the age of seven years, except with the consent of the Director of Savings.

EXTENSION TERMS: 20 From the 4th anniversary of the certificate date and until 3 months notice has been given otherwise, interest will continue to accrue
(a) on certificates for which at least 7 payments have been made at the variable extension rate applicable to other extended National Savings Certificates,
(b) on certificates on which interest is payable at the rate of 3% p.a. until the 4th anniversary of the certificate date at a rate of 3% p.a.

CHANGES TO THE PROSPECTUS: 21 The Treasury may on giving notice withdraw the option mentioned in paragraph 10 of this prospectus in respect of existing and future agreements. This will not prevent an agreement (without an option) being made where an offer letter has been sent to the applicant.
22 The Treasury may on giving notice
(a) change the amounts specified in paragraph 9,
(b) change the minimum number of payments specified in paragraph 10 to secure the right to an option to enter into a subsequent agreement,
(c) change the number of payments specified in paragraphs 15 and 16 which determine the basis on which interest will be earned,
(d) lay down, alter or terminate the extension terms under paragraph 20 but not so as to affect offers already made before the date specified in the notice or agreements in force.
23 The Treasury will give any notice required under paragraphs 21 and 22 in the London, Edinburgh and Belfast Gazettes or in any manner which they think fit. If notice is given otherwise than in the Gazettes, it will as soon as is reasonably possible thereafter be recorded in them.

YEARLY PLAN APPLICATION

THE SAVINGS CERTIFICATE OFFICE, YEARLY PLAN SECTION, DURHAM DH99 1NS.

1 Name and Address of Applicant (CAPITAL LETTERS PLEASE)

Surname ______ Mr/Mrs/Miss

All forenames ______

Address ______

Postcode ______

Date of Birth (not essential but may be useful) Day ___ Month ___ Year ___

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2 I will arrange monthly payments of: £ ____ minimum £20 maximum £200 in multiples of £5

3 Other Payments to Yearly Plan: if payments are already being made to Yearly Plan on behalf of the above, please give the Yearly Plan numbers.

4 I accept the terms of the Prospectus dated 10 July 1985.

Signature of Applicant ______ Date ______ 19__ Daytime Telephone Number (Useful if there is a query)

Yearly Plan Standing Order Mandate

Please pay to the Bank of England for the credit of National Savings

SORTING CODE NUMBER	ACCOUNT NUMBER	Quoting Reference:
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on the ___ DAY of each month until further notice in writing, the sum of | AMOUNT £ | AMOUNT IN WORDS Pounds |

and debit my/our account accordingly

Please enter full Name and Address of Bank (CAPITAL letters please)

Name of account to be debited ______

Account Number ______

Bank Branch Sorting Code ___ – ___ – ___ See top right hand corner of cheques

Signature(s) of Account Holder(s) ______

Date ______ 19__

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NATIONAL SAVINGS YEARLY PLAN

NATIONAL SAVINGS

Portfolio Gold

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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Ansbacher (Henry)	Banks,Discount	
2	Br Benzol	Chemicals,Plas	
3	Leigh	Chemicals,Plas	
4	Etam	Drapery,Stores	
5	Int Signal & Control	Electricals	
6	Grattan	Drapery,Stores	
7	Carrs Milling	Foods	
8	Taylor Woodrow	Building,Roads	
9	Deritend Stamping	Industrials A-D	
10	Dwek	Industrials A-D	
11	Com Bank Wales	Banks, Discount	
12	Davies & Newman	Industrials A-D	
13	Davies & Met 'A'	Industrials A-D	
14	Dalgety	Industrials A-D	
15	Marks & Spencer	Drapery,Stores	
16	Rothschild (J) Hld	Banks,Discount	
17	Rockware	Industrials L-R	
18	Tip Top Drug	Drapery,Stores	
19	SGB	Building,Roads	
20	Manganese Bronze	Industrials L-R	
21	Imp Chem Ind	Chemicals,Plas	
22	Allied Colloids	Chemicals,Plas	
23	Scot & New	Breweries	
24	Renold	Industrials L-R	
25	Smith (WH) 'A'	Drapery,Stores	
26	MK Elect	Electricals	
27	Dew (George)	Building,Roads	
28	Fisher (Albert)	Foods	
29	Hewden-Stuart	Building,Roads	
30	Dubilier	Electricals	
31	Barratt Devs	Building,Roads	
32	Dowding & Mills	Electricals	
33	Wilson (Connolly)	Building,Roads	
34	Gleeson (MJ)	Building,Roads	
35	Belhaven	Breweries	
36	Gerrard Nat	Banks,Discount	
37	Hillsdown Hldgs	Foods	
38	Electrocomponents	Electricals	
39	Cable & Wireless	Electricals	
40	Bodycote	Industrials A-D	
41	Heywood Williams	Building,Roads	
42	NEI	Electricals	
43	Marston Thompson	Breweries	
44	Attwoods	Building,Roads	
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Shares rally

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BRITISH FUNDS

1986 High	Low	Stock	Price	Ch'ge	Int. only yield	Gross Red. yield
SHORTS (Under Five Years)						
98¾	97⅞	Treas 8¼% 1984-86	98⅝	+1/64	8.5	..
98½	94⅞	Exch 3¼% 1986	98⅛	..	12.8	..
103¾	100½	Exch 14% 1986	101⅝	..	13.8	..
103	100¼	Exch 13¼% 1987	104¼	..	13.0	..
100⅞	93½	Treas Ch9¼% 1987	100⅞	..	10.2	..
97⅞	92¼	Exch 8¼% 1987	97¼	..	9.4	..
101½	97¼	Exch 10¾% 1987	101	..	10.4	..
99⅝	93⅝	Fund 6¼% 1986-87	99½	..	8.9	..
101¼	95⅞	Treas 10% 1987	100⅝	..	9.9	..
99⅞	95⅞	Exch 9% 1987	99⅞	..	9.4	..
104½	97¼	Treas 12% 1987	103⅞	..	11.9	..
99⅝	95⅝	Treas 7¾% 1985-88	99⅝	..	7.8	..
104½	98½	Exch 10¼% 1988	102⅞	..	10.2	..
102⅝	94⅝	Treas Ch9¾% 1988	101⅝	..	9.6	..
96½	89⅞	Treas 9% 1979-89	96¼	..	9.3	..
105⅝	99½	Treas 9¾% 1989	101	..	9.4	..
107⅝	99½	Treas 11¼% 1989	106⅝	..	10.6	..
109⅝	99½	Exch 10¾% 1989	106⅝	..	10.1	..
104½	99½	Exch 10% 1989	106⅝	..	9.7	..
111⅝	94½	Exch 10¾% 1990	107⅝	..	9.8	..
98½	76⅞	Exch 8¼% 1990	88⅛	..	9.9	..
99	79	Treas 3% 1991	88	..	..	..
107½	94	Exch 11% 1991	103⅞	..	10.4	..
93⅝	84½	Treas 9% 1992-96	93⅝	..	9.4	..
109⅝	94½	Exch 11% 1991	108⅝	..	10.3	..
102⅝	93⅝	Treas Ch9¾% 1989	101⅞	..	9.3	..
99	92⅝	Treas 9% 1992	91⅞	..	9.9	..
114½	103½	Treas 13% 1990	113⅝	..	11.3	..
119½	101½	Exch 13¾% 1992	118⅝	..	11.3	..
98⅝	76⅝	Treas 3% 1993	81⅝	..	..	..
102⅝	89⅝	Treas 9½% 1992-96	99½	..	9.3	..
108⅝	99⅝	Exch 11% 1993	104½	..	9.8	..
FIVE TO FIFTEEN YEARS						
113½	99	Treas 11¾% 1991	110⅝	+¼	10.8	..
94½	84½	Fund 9¾% 1987-91	94½	..	9.1	..
110⅝	98⅝	Exch 11% 1991	109⅝	..	10.1	..
118⅝	103	Treas 12¾% 1992	118⅝	..	11.0	..
107⅝	91½	Treas 10% 1993	106⅝	..	9.8	..
109⅝	95½	Treas Ch10¼% 1992	107⅝	..	9.7	..
117½	100⅝	Exch 13¼% 1992	114⅝	..	10.7	..
122½	102½	Exch 13¾% 1992	118⅝	..	11.3	..
106	94⅝	Treas 10% 1993	105⅝	..	9.8	..
121½	103⅝	Treas 12¼% 1993	117⅝	..	10.8	..
91⅝	79½	Fund 9% 1993	90½	..	9.7	..
126	111⅝	Treas 13¾% 1993	124⅝	..	11.0	..
128½	105⅝	Treas 14¼% 1994	128⅝	..	11.2	..
128½	97⅝	Exch 12½% 1994	118⅝	..	10.6	..
127⅝	110½	Exch 13¼% 1994	120⅝	..	10.8	..
103⅝	85⅝	Treas 9% 1994	100½	..	9.0	..
122	100⅝	Treas 12% 1995	119⅝	..	10.4	..
78⅝	66½	Gas 3% 1990-95	77½	..	..	..
110⅝	91½	Exch 10¼% 1995	109⅝	..	9.8	..
125	108⅝	Treas 12¾% 1995	121⅝	..	10.6	..
133⅝	112½	Treas 14% 1996	129⅝	..	10.8	..
102⅝	87	Treas 9% 1992-96	100	..	9.0	..
142⅝	122½	Treas 15¼% 1996	137⅝	..	11.1	..
130½	111⅝	Exch 13¼% 1996	125⅝	..	10.6	..
84½	74½	Rdmpt 3% 1996	83½	..	3.6	..
109⅝	104⅝	Conv 10% 1997	109	..	9.2	..
121	110	Treas 13¼% 1997	128⅝	..	10.6	..
112⅝	93½	Exch 10¼% 1997	108½	..	9.7	..
101⅝	79⅝	Treas 8¾% 1997	97⅝	..	9.0	..
142½	122½	Exch 15% 1997	137⅝	..	10.8	..
88½	73⅝	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	84⅝	..	8.0	..
107⅝	89½	Exch 9¾% 1998	103⅝	..	9.4	..
148⅝	126⅝	Treas 15½% 1998	143⅝	..	10.8	..
124½	105½	Exch 12% 1998	118	..	10.1	..
107⅝	88½	Treas 9¾% 1998	102⅝	..	9.6	..
126½	103⅝	Exch 12¼% 1999	121⅝	..	10.1	..
114	96½	Treas 10¼% 1999	109⅝	..	9.8	..
112⅝	94½	Conv 10¼% 1999	107⅝	..	9.6	..
133½	111⅝	Treas 15% 2000	128	..	10.8	..
OVER FIFTEEN YEARS						
111⅝	91⅝	Treas 10% 2001	108⅝	..	9.4	..
105⅝	89⅝	Conv 9¾% 2001	104⅝	..	9.3	..
106½	89⅝	Conv 9% 2003	104½	..	9.1	..
137½	117⅝	Treas 14% 1998-01	132	..	10.6	..
111⅝	94½	Conv 10% 2002	108½	..	9.4	..
124⅝	103⅝	Exch 12% 1999-02	119⅝	..	10.1	..
108½	90	Treas 9¾% 2002	104⅝	..	9.3	..
112½	93½	Treas 10% 2003	107	..	9.3	..
115½	94½	Treas 10½% 2000-03	109⅝	..	10.3	..
123½	104	Treas 11¼% 2001-04	117⅝	..	9.8	..
115½	94½	Treas 10% 2004	107⅝	..	9.2	..
60½	48⅝	Fund 3½% 1999-04	51½	..	6.1	..
108⅝	90½	Conv 9½% 2004	102⅝	..	9.3	..
108½	90½	Conv 9½% 2005	102⅝	..	9.3	..
108½	90½	Conv 9½% 2006	102⅝	..	9.3	..
117⅝	94½	Exch 10½% 2005	112	..	9.4	..
134½	112⅝	Treas 12½% 2003-05	127⅝	..	9.8	..
95⅝	79½	Treas 8% 2006-08	90⅝	..	9.0	..
107½	90	Treas 9% 2008	102⅝	..	9.0	..
127⅝	104⅝	Treas 11¼% 2003-07	120⅝	..	9.7	..
143½	115⅝	Treas 13¼% 2004-08	136½	..	9.9	..
85½	68⅝	Treas 6% 2008	80½	..	8.0	..
72⅝	57½	Treas 5¼% 2008-12	67⅝	..	8.2	..
93⅝	76½	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	88⅝	..	8.8	..
136	113½	Exch 12% 2013-17	129⅝	..	9.3	..
UNDATED						
49⅝	38½	Consols 4%	46⅝	..	8.6	..
42	34½	War Ln 3½%	40⅝	..	8.7	..
32⅝	44⅝	Conv 3½%	32	+½	8.7	..
34½	29½	Treas 3%	34	+½	8.8	..
29⅝	24½	Consols 2½%	29⅝	⊖+½	8.7	..
29⅝	24½	Treas 2½%	29⅝	..	8.7	..
INDEX-LINKED						
122⅝	114⅝	Treas IL 2% 1988	122½	+¼	2.1	..
107½	98½	Treas IL 2% 1990	109½	+½	2.1	..
122	106⅝	Treas IL 2% 1992	122	+½	2.3	..
107⅝	95½	Treas IL 2½% 2001	109⅝	+½	2.9	..
107½	93½	Treas IL 2½% 2006	109½	+½	2.9	..
110½	96½	Treas IL 2% 2008	110½	+½	2.5	..
108½	92⅝	Treas IL 2½% 2009	109½	..	2.9	..
111½	97	Treas IL 2½% 2011	110½	+½	2.9	..
94⅝	79⅝	Treas IL 2½% 2013	95½	+½	2.9	..
102½	87⅝	Treas IL 2½% 2016	101½	+½	2.9	..
100½	86½	Treas IL 2½% 2020	99½	+½	2.9	..

BANKS DISCOUNT HP

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Yld %	P/E
250	193	Allied Irish	225	⊖-3	9.0	4.0
82	65	Ansbacher (Henry)	82	+2	..	42.5
295	208	Aust New Z	251	⊖-7	15.0	6.0
12½	9¾	Bankamerica	211⅝	..	..	..
520	356	Bank Of Ireland	395	⊖-5	17.0	4.3
9½	6½	Bank Leumi Israel	8½	-½	..	..
290	230	Bank Leumi UK	240	..	16.0	6.7
450	354	Bank Of Scotland	379	-5	20.0	5.3
590	429	Barclays	487	..	26.6	5.5
495	410	Brown Shipley	485	..	13.2	2.7
438	286	Cater Allen	359	⊖ ..	38.6	10.8
57	36	Cattles	54	..	2.6	4.8
32⅝	24⅝	Chase Manhattan	22⅝	-½	3.9	4.8
42⅝	33½	Citicorp	34½	-½	2.6	5.0
51	32	Clive	49	-1	3.6	7.3
73	46	Com Bank Wales	72	+4	3.4	4.7
112	80½	Commerzbank	108½	-½	8.0	0.1
270½	217½	Deutsche Bank	268	..	8.0	5.3
212	148	First Nat Finance	182	-2	4.0	2.1
378	242	Gerrard Nat	342	+4	22.1b	6.5
102	66	Guinness Peat	88	⊖+5	2.9	3.3
215	215	Hambros	215	..	n	..
37	20	Do (50p)	27	..	96.7n	3.6
430	333	Hill Samuel	405	..	17.0	4.2
74	55½	HK Shangai	58	-1½	..	..
498	318	Joseph (Leopold)	428	..	17.4	4.1
198	138	King & Shaxson	184	⊖ ..	13.5	7.8
830	565	Kleinwort Benson	705	-5	25.7	3.6
677	439	Lloyds	547	..	30.0	5.5
40	32	Mallinson	35	..	2.9	8.0
843	725	Mercury Int	728	..	..	..
153	135	Do 8% 'A'	136	-2	..	..
569	417	Midland	527	..	38.4	8.9
321	236	Nat Aust Bk	281	-5	..	..
935	672	Nat West	750	-5	44.3	8.0
122	80	Odiemen	81½	..	6.0	5.1
445	290	Prudential	332	..	15.6	4.7
80	63	Rea Bros	65	..	7.8	2.8
132	102	Rothschild (J) Hld	119	+1	8.5	5.5

BREWERIES

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
343	248	Allied-Lyons	341	⊖+6	13.8	4.0	15.3
840	620	Bass	775	⊖ ..	21.7	2.8	16.5
50	38	Belhaven	45	+1	1.1	2.4	24.0
144	85	Boddingtons	137	+1	4.8	3.4	17.5
500	375	Brown (Matthew)	485	⊖ ..	20.0b	4.3	17.1
182	147	Bulmer (H P)	164	+5	7.0	4.3	13.2
560	405	Burtonwood Brew	555	..	14.3	2.6	13.0
515	410	Clark (Matthew)	510	..	10.7	2.1	20.6
830	640	Devenish (J A)	810	+10	18.6	2.3	23.7
204	165	Greenall Whitley	171	⊖ ..	7.9b	4.6	12.5
245	183	Greene King	233	..	7.2	3.2	15.8
355	275	Guinness	301	..	10.3	3.4	11.4
488	405	Hardys & Hansons	468	..	24.1	4.9	12.6
91	69	Highland Dist	91	+2	2.0	2.2	18.4
176	155	Independent Dist	165	..	6.8	4.1	10.5
208	173	Irish Dist	200	⊖ ..	6.0	2.5	..
114	77	Marston Thompson	108	+2	2.9	2.7	18.7
261	217	Morland	245	⊖ ..	9.1	3.7	13.5
248	153	SA Breweries	163	⊖-2	..	..	..
234	180	Scot & New	195	+2	10.0	5.1	13.3
41½	30½	Seagram	241½	+1½	41.1	1.9	..
540	353	Vaux	430	⊖+6	18.4	3.8	10.6
313	223	Whitbread 'A'	271	⊖ ..	11.1	4.1	11.8
315	228	Do 'B'	275	⊖ ..	11.1	4.0	11.9
251	148	Whitbread Inv	230	⊖ ..	18.8	4.8	88.2
510	410	Wolverhmptn & D	505	⊖+2	12.7	2.5	18.4
315	185	Young 'A'	280	⊖ ..	10.4	3.7	19.3

BUILDINGS AND ROADS

1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
288	218	Aberdeen Constr	252	⊖ ..	11.4	4.5	9.0
297	213	Amec	253	⊖ ..	15.7	6.2	13.7
60	52	Arrollite	58	..	0.1	0.2	8.9
180	125	Attwoods	160	-4	8.1	5.0	14.6
503	351	BPB Industries	496	-8	11.8	2.3	19.6
377	284	Baggeridge Brick	340	+8	10.2	3.0	12.8
184	114	Barratt Devs	145	+2	10.6	7.5	..
7	22	Bailey(Ben) Const	24	..	..	..	1.8
182	139	Bellway	164	⊖ ..	10.0	6.1	18.5
84	65	Bestwood Concrete	79	⊖ ..	3.4n	8.8	17.8
63	55	Best Bros	60	+1	4.4	8.4	18.4
675	515	Blockleys	635	..	37.1	4.0	13.1
729	531	Blue Circle	665	⊖+10	30.0	4.6	9.3
270	235	Breedon&Cloud Hll	270	+6	14.3	5.3	25.6
152	73	Brickhouse Dudley	120	⊖ ..	6.1	3.9	18.8
91	61	Br Dredging	81	..	4.9	5.2	10.0
29	16	Brown & Jackson	21	+1	..	..	14.5
71	65	Brownlee	69	..	5.0	8.4	7.7
127	84	Bryant	123	⊖ ..	4.9	4.0	15.5
27	16	Burnett & Hallen	19½	-½	4.7	20.2	2.1
117	85	Cement-Roadstone	109	..	4.0	3.7	..
68	60	Conder Grp	62	..	2.5	3.0	11.9
585	462	Costain	580	⊖+6	34.5	4.3	10.1
420	295	Countryside	416	..	9.9	2.0	11.2
158	114	Crouch (Derek)	130	..	8.8	6.8	9.4
104	84	Daw (George)	100	+2	5.8	5.4	14.4
109	73	Douglas (FM)	108	..	3.5b	2.4	19.0
91	64	Ecob	84	..	4.7	5.6	17.5
81	73	Fab	78	⊖ ..	2.5	3.2	10.6
70	54	Do 'A'	54	⊖ ..	2.5	4.3	7.5
98	84	Fitzler Gp	90	..	5.4	9.0	23.4
84	60	Galliford	81	..	3.1	3.9	14.8
131	105	Gibbs & Dandy Ord	130	..	5.5	2.0	30.0
376	254	Gleeson (MJ)	368	⊖+2	7.9	2.1	12.7
113	98	HAT	101	-4	6.4	6.3	10.5
209	83	Halliat Bar	208	..	..	..	30.8
78	48	Hewden-Stuart	72	⊖+2	3.4	3.3	12.7
224	148	Heywood Williams	208	+8	8.6	4.3	14.6
620	435	Higgs & Hill	580	..	18.4	3.5	15.5
186	150	Ibstock Johnsen	180	..	8.9	5.0	13.8
380	285	Jarvis (J) & Sons	360	..	25.0e	6.9	12.3
451	298	Laing (J)	441	..	10.0	2.2	12.6
447	295	Do 'A'	434	-1	10.0	2.3	12.8
108	79	Lawrence (Walter)	98	..	5.3	5.7	7.3
91	71	Lilley (FJC)	74	⊖-1	5.5	7.4	8.6
439	290	Lovell (Y J)	413	..	10.0	2.4	14.8
198	139	Magnet & South	186	..	8.7	4.3	16.1
275	178	Manders	275	+4	11.9	4.2	18.8
199	161	Meyanella (Halfen)	172	..	7.1b	4.1	13.8
135	99	Moy & Hassell	130	..	7.4e	4.8	..
425	304	McAlpine (Alfred)	418	-1	17.9	4.3	15.4
202	171	Mayer Int	201	..	7.7	3.8	14.4
97	23	Miller (Stanley)	38	..	1.4	3.4	..
128	109	Monk (A)	115	..	8.3	6.1	18.6
444	308	Mowlem (John)	384	+4	23.5	6.1	11.0
920	788	Newarthill	920	..	18.7	1.8	17.4
213	165	Nottingham Brick	210	..	8.3	4.1	15.7
234	118	Parsonnaud	216	..	7.8	3.4	13.3
110	87	Phoenix Timber	91	-2	4.8	4.7	3.4
285	200	Pochin	270	⊖ ..	18.4	6.8	6.8
670	440	RMC	662	..	20.0	3.1	14.5
482	340	Redland	434	..	16.8	3.8	13.6
295	180	Roberts Adland	240	⊖-10	10.0	4.2	28.7
283	188	Robersons	208	..	12.3	4.0	10.8
191	125½	Rugby Cement	171	..	8.3	4.9	16.0
374	285	SGB	344	+8	14.9b	4.2	12.9
117	87	Sharpe & Fisher	117	+4	8.3	5.5	17.8
81	70	Smart (J)	81	..	6.6b	8.2	17.8
510	343	Tarmac	488	⊖+3	13.4	2.8	16.3
685	475	Taylor Woodrow	669	⊖+3	34.0	5.1	13.2
162	140	Tilbury Group	160	⊖-2	7.5	4.1	11.0
143	98	Travis & Arnold	400	..	13.2	3.0	18.8
101	70	Trent	92	-1	1.6	1.8	18.0
132	73	Turriff	110	..	10.0	9.1	7.8
200	160	Vibroplant	200	..	13.4	4.7	12.8
398	346	Ward	398	..	10.4	4.1	14.3
160	115	Warrington (T)	78	⊖ ..	1.4	1.8	8.9
204	174	Watts Blake	199	⊖ ..	6.8	3.4	27.3
83	67	Weltom Bros	77	⊖ ..	1.6	2.1	17.5
67	41	Wiggins	62	-2	..	..	..
237	197	Wilson (Connolly)	241	⊖+3	8.9	3.3	18.0
198	152	Wimpey (George)	187	⊖+1	8.4	2.8	12.3

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196	160	Allied Colloids	193	+2	3.3	1.7	36.1
338	231	Amersham	328	..	8.8	2.4	18.9
341	280	Anchor Chemical	331	..	6.1	1.8	21.8
185	138	BTP	180	..	6.7	3.8	21.7
111	76½	Bayer DM50	295	-½	700	8.5	..
128	102	Blagden	116	..	10.3	8.9	17.2
108½	81	Blue Circle	105	..	8.0	3.8	17.8
65	57½	Br Benzol	61	..	..	..	..
138	83	Canning (W)	135	⊖ ..	5.7	4.1	21.0
280	240	Cattle	268	⊖+1	10.7	4.0	18.1
52	39	Courtaulds	49	⊖+1	6.0	4.9	8.8
142	118	Do 'A'	134	⊖-1	6.0	4.5	8.8
20	16	Dory (Horace)	17½	..	0.9	5.1	8.9
160	127	Croda	158	⊖ ..	10.0	6.3	16.1
171	100	Do Old	167	⊖+1	..	..	16.3
240	172	Ellis & Everard	238	..	8.8	4.4	17.7
398	315	Fisons-Minorp	378	⊖-2	12.9	4.7	11.3
180	115	Halstead (James)	140	+4	8.4	4.8	10.8
438	290	Hickson	420	+6	21.4	4.9	11.9
101½	70	Hoechst DM50	239½	-1½	..	..	..
10	734	Imp Chem Ind	802	+8	47.1	5.1	10.3
410	335	Laporte	345	..	11.8	3.4	14.4
118	102	Leigh	118	+1	4.7	4.0	18.7
231	177	Rhylan	224	..	8.3	3.8	22.1
89	62	Rentokil Hldgs	70	⊖ ..	3.0	4.3	8.0
176	134½	Rentokil	238	..	3.5	2.6	17.0
380	216	SMA BPD	268	+1	..	..	..
68	38	Scottish Speelman	60	..	..	..	61.9
213	178	Westenholme Rlsk	190	-1	11.1	5.8	20.2
187	67	Yorkshire Chem	138	..	4.8	3.4	11.4

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1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
235	176	Anglia TV 'A'	223	-7	12.9	5.8	15.3
50	37	Grampian	48	-1	2.6	5.0	6.8
240	178	HTV N/V	230	-3	11.4	5.0	8.2
358	283	LWT Hldgs	350	..	31.3	8.9	14.0
350	189	Scot TV 'A'	348	-2	15.0b	4.3	11.9
238	189	TVS N/V	238	-5	11.4	4.9	11.3
43	31	TSW	38	..	2.6	6.7	10.7

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1986 High	Low	Company	Price	Ch'ge	Gross div pence	Yld %	P/E
150	90	Alexon	107	+4	3.6	3.4	21.2
96	63	Acquisitions 'A'	71	⊖-1	3.6	5.1	34.2
89	79	Beattie (James) 'A'	80	⊖ ..	3.9	4.2	12.6
208	138	Benetts	168	+5	6.3	2.0	34.1
18	8½	Blacks Leis	9	-1½	..	..	..
680	387	Body Shop	680	+30	3.1	0.3	61.9
62	44	Bremner	48	+3	0.7	1.5	34.3
605	525	Brown (N)	605	+10	13.0	2.2	30.8
355	238	Burton	348	⊖ ..	8.8	2.4	19.5
174	64	Cantors 'A'	137	-4	3.2	2.3	35.2
53	41	Carter (S)	46	..	3.1	6.8	8.7
345	305	Church	310	..	19.1	6.2	9.5
564	428	Costa Vyella	512	+4	17.1	3.3	15.3
288	145	Combined English	223	+6	8.8	4.3	19.7
152	116	Courts (Furn) 'A'	123	-1	6.7	5.4	10.0
365	305	DAWS Simpson 'A'	345	⊖ ..	8.8	2.5	13.3
115	82	Dewhirst (J)	115	⊖+½	1.6	1.4	20.3
436	216	Dixons Grp	348	+8	4.3	1.2	38.9
516	346	Dunelt	508	⊖ ..	7.5	1.5	17.2
83	73	Ellis & Goldstein	74½	⊖ ..	3.5	4.7	8.0
715	610	Elys (Wimbledon)	655	-30	13.6	2.1	25.4
213	134	Empire Stores	182	⊖+2	5.4	3.0	17.6

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Editing prosecution statements

Practice Direction (Crime: Evidence by Written Statements)

New directions about evidence by written statements tendered by the prosecution were given by Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, sitting in the Queen's Bench Divisional Court with Mr Justice McCowan and Mr Justice Rose on June 3.

THE LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that the following practice direction replaced *Practice Direction (Evidence: Written Statements)* ([1969] 1 WLR 1862).

His Lordship continued: "2 Where the prosecution proposes to tender written statements in evidence under either section 102 of the Magistrates' Courts Act 1980 or section 9 of the Criminal Justice Act 1958 it will frequently be not only proper, but also necessary for the orderly presentation of the evidence, for certain statements to be edited.

"This will occur either because a witness has made more than one statement whose contents should conveniently be reduced into a single, comprehensive statement or where a statement contains inadmissible, prejudicial or irrelevant material.

"Editing of statements should in all circumstances be done by a Crown Prosecutor (or by a legal representative, if any, of the prosecutor if the case is not being conducted by the Crown Prosecution Service) and not by a police officer.

"3 Composite Statements. A composite statement giving the combined effect of two or more earlier statements or settled by a person referred to in paragraph 2 above must be prepared in compliance with the requirements of section 102 of the 1980 Act or section 9 of the 1967 Act as appropriate and must then be signed by the witness.

"4 Editing Single Statements. There are two acceptable methods of editing single statements:

"(i) By marking copies of the statement in a way which indicates the passages on which the prosecution will not rely. This merely indicates that the prosecution will not seek to adduce the evidence so marked. The original signed statement to be tendered to the court is not marked in any way.

"The marking on the copy statement is done by lightly striking out the passages to be edited so that what appears beneath can still be read, or by bracketing, or by a combination of both. It is not permisible to produce a photocopy with the deleted material obliterated, since this would be contrary to the requirement that the defence and the court should be served with copies of the signed original statement.

"Whenever the striking out/bracketing method is used, it will assist if the following words appear at the foot or the frontispiece or index to any bundle of copy statements to be tendered: 'The prosecution does not propose to adduce evidence of those passages of the attached copy statements which have been struck out and/or bracketed. (Nor will it seek to do so at the trial unless a Notice of Further Evidence is served)'.

"(ii) By obtaining a fresh statement, signed by the witness, which omits the offending material, applying the procedure in paragraph 3 above.

"5 In most cases where a single statement is to be edited, the striking out/bracketing method will be the more appropriate, but the taking of a fresh statement is preferable in the following circumstances:

"(a) When a police (or other investigating) officer's statement contains details of interviews with more suspects than are eventually charged, a fresh statement should be prepared and signed omitting all details of interview with those not charged except, in so far as it is relevant, for the bald fact that a certain named person was interviewed at a particular time, date and place.

"(b) When a suspect is interviewed about more offences than are eventually made the subject of committal charges, a fresh statement should be prepared and signed omitting all questions and answers about the uncharged offences unless either they might appropriately be taken into consideration or evidence about those offences is admissible upon the charges preferred, such as evidence of system.

"It may, however, be desirable to replace the omitted questions and answer with a phrase such as: 'After referring to some other matters, I then said . . .' so as to make it clear that part of the interview has been omitted.

"(c) A fresh statement should normally be prepared and signed if the only part of the original on which the prosecution are relying is only a small proportion of the whole although it remains desirable to use the alternative method if there is reason to believe that the defence might themselves wish to rely, in mitigation or for any other purpose, on at least some of those parts which the prosecution do not propose to adduce.

"(d) When the passages contain material which the prosecution is entitled to withhold from disclosure to the defence.

"6 Prosecutors should also be aware that, where statements are to be tendered under section 9 of the 1967 Act in the course of summary proceedings, there will be a greater need to prepare fresh statements excluding inadmissible or prejudicial material rather than using the striking out or bracketing method.

"7 None of the above principles applies, in respect of committal proceedings, to documents which are exhibited (including statements under caution and signed contemporaneous notes). Nor do they apply to oral statements of a defendant which are recorded in the witness statements of interviewing police officers, except in the circumstances referred to in paragraph 5(b) above.

"All this material should remain in its original state in the committal bundles, any editing being left to prosecuting counsel at the crown court (after discussion with defence counsel and, if appropriate, the trial judge).

"8 Whenever a fresh statement is taken from a witness, a copy of the earlier, unedited statement(s) of that witness will be given to the defence in accordance with the Attorney General's guidelines (*Practice Note (Criminal Evidence: Unused Material)* ([1982] 1 All E R 734)) on the disclosure of unused material unless there are grounds under paragraph 6 of the guidelines for withholding such disclosure."

Council's duty to accommodate gipsies

West Glamorgan County Council v Rafferty and Others Regina v Secretary of State for Wales and Another, Ex parte Gilhaney

Before Lord Justice Slade, Lord Justice Ralph Gibson and Sir John Megaw

[Judgment given May 22]

It was the duty of a county council under section 6 of the Caravan Sites Act 1960, so far as might be necessary to provide adequate accommodation for gipsies residing in or resorting to its area, by exercising its power under section 24 of the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act 1960 and acquiring land for that purpose, to provide services and facilities for those occupying the sites.

The council's decision simply to evict by itself suggested the failure to consider the consequences of eviction, both on the gipsies themselves and on others and a failure to consider the county council's own powers to alleviate those consequences.

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment dismissing appeals of West Glamorgan County Council against (a) the order of Mr Justice Peter Pain dated December 19, 1985, whereby it was ordered that the order of possession of land and premises at the Briton Ferry Industrial Estate at Neath, made by Mr Justice Tudor Price on December 2, 1985, against Mr Edmund Rafferty and others and persons unknown, pursuant to Order 113 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, should be set aside; and (b) the order of Mr Justice Kennedy dated April 28, 1986, whereby, on an application of Mr James Gilhaney, it was ordered that the decision of the county council to take proceedings for possession of the land should be quashed; and it was declared that the council was not entitled in law to seek possession of the land until such time as it made some reasonable alternative provisions for the accommodation of gipsies.

Mr Michael Barnes, QC and Mr Philip Price for the county council; Mr D. Marshall Evans and Mr D.S. Gerry for the gipsies.

LORD JUSTICE RALPH GIBSON said that in July 1985, after being evicted from a site within the Swansea City Council area, gipsies moved to Briton Ferry Industrial estate at Neath.

The land at Briton Ferry was formerly a steel works. It extended to 170 acres and there were dismantled steelworks on it. The process of redevelopment was in its early stages.

The purpose of the county council had been to procure redevelopment of the area for industrial purposes so as to assist in the creation of employment while removing the blight of redundant plant.

No part of the site was ever proposed as permanent or temporary accommodation for gipsies.

The effect of the unregulated presence of the gipsies had been to cause severe nuisance to some neighbours and some damage to neighbouring occupiers and to cause difficulty to the Welsh Development Agency in persuading firms to acquire new or vacant factory premises in the area. The agency owned adjoining land.

On September 16, 1985, the decision was taken by the county council to take proceedings to evict the gipsies from the Briton Ferry site. That decision was based on the choice of priorities on a matter of social policy within the control of an elected council.

There were factors on both sides of the question: some against and some for the policy of eviction.

Those against the eviction included:

1 The county council had failed over 15 years to carry out its statutory duty so to use its powers under section 24 of the 1960 Act as to provide adequate accommodation for gipsies resorting to or residing in the area.

2 There was accordingly no site within West Glamorgan to which the gipsies, if evicted, could lawfully go.

3 It was probable that the presence as trespassers on the land of the county council of a large number of those to be evicted was caused by the breach of duty of the county council.

4 Eviction would cause substantial hardship to a substantial number of families resorting to the sites provided in other areas or by trespassing elsewhere within West Glamorgan.

5 There would be hardship on those who would receive the displaced families.

6 Both forms of hardship were within the mischief at which the statutory duty was directed.

The factors in favour of eviction were:

1 Part of the land affected by works of reclamation was at present unlawfully occupied by gipsy caravans and reclamation was part of the process of redevelopment which was aimed at the creation of employment.

2 The presence of the gipsies on the site was causing nuisance and probably some damage to neighbouring occupiers and there had been complaints of the offensive attitude and behaviour of some gipsies camped on the county council's land.

3 The gipsies at the Briton Ferry site were there as trespassers and knew that they had no right to be there.

4 It was a bad example to the whole community that trespassers should be seen to be tolerated or immune from eviction for any prolonged period of time.

Bearing in mind those factors the only reasonable conclusion would be against eviction, if eviction was to be carried out with no provision for alternative accommodation.

Furthermore, it was not shown that it was necessary, for the purposes relied on by the county council, to evict at once all the families from all the site.

The evidence indicated that it was practicable to contain the caravans within a selected part of the whole site by evicting only from defined parts of it and by permitting all or some of the caravans then on the site to remain on or move to the selected part.

Immediate eviction from the whole of the site of all the families camped upon it would not terminate the evil of damage and nuisance caused by some of the gipsies unlawfully camped but would merely shift it to others within the area or to the land of the county council in another place.

It was probable that the presence of many of the gipsies on the site as trespassers was caused directly by the long continued breach of duty of the county council.

The badness of the example, if trespassers were seen to be immune, was not any worse than that provided to the community if the county council was seen, while in clear breach of its statutory duty to provide accommodation for the gipsies in the area, to be evicting them from a site without provision of any alternative accommodation.

It was within the powers of the county council to change the status of the gipsies from that of trespassers into that of temporarily tolerated trespassers or into regulated licensees on some defined and temporary site.

Sir John Megaw and Lord Justice Slade gave concurring judgments.

Solicitors: Sherwood & Co for Mr Michael Rush, Swansea; Parkers, St Helens.

Woman's equal work does not imply equal pay

Hayward v Cammell Laird Shipbuilders Ltd

Before Mr Justice Popplewell, Mr J. A. Powell and Mr H. Robson

[Judgment given May 19]

The employers of a female cook in a shipyard canteen whose work had been held to be of equal value to that of male colleagues, did not necessarily have to pay her the same basic wage or overtime rates but could introduce evidence to show that, considered as a whole, her terms and conditions of employment were not less favourable.

The Employment Appeal Tribunal dismissed an appeal by Miss Julie Hayward from a decision of a Liverpool industrial tribunal last September that for the purposes of implementing an award of equal pay for work of equal value in accordance with section 1(2)(c) of the Equal Pay Act 1970, as amended by the Equal Pay (Amendment) Regulations (SI 1983 No 1794), pay should be construed in accordance with its meaning under article 119 of the EEC Treaty.

Section 1(2) provides: ". . . (c) where a woman is employed on work which . . . is, in terms of the demands made on her . . . of equal value to that of a man in the same employment — (i) if (apart from the equality clause) any term of the woman's contract is or becomes less favourable to the woman than a term of similar kind in the contract under which that man is employed, that term of the woman's contract shall be treated as so modified as not to be less favourable . . ."

Mr David Pannick for the applicant; Mr Charles James for the employers.

MR JUSTICE POPPLEWELL said that the industrial tribunal had already determined that the applicant was employed on work of equal value to the comparators named in the report of an independent expert.

It had been accepted that she was not paid the same basic wage or overtime rates as the men.

The employers' argument was that they did not have to pay her the same basic wage or overtime because considered as a whole her terms and conditions were not less favourable.

The applicant contended that she was entitled to point to specific terms in her contract which were less favourable than the comparators' terms and to have them amended.

Mr Pannick arguing on the application of national law said that the language of the 1970 Act as amended was unambiguous and that where any term was less favourable to the woman than a term of a similar kind under which that man was employed, that should be treated as modified so as not to be less favourable.

He said that there was no mention of any package and that the other terms of the contract were irrelevant.

Regarding the effect of Community law, Mr Pannick accepted the proposition of law put in *Roberts v Tate & Lyle Food and Distribution Ltd* ([1983] ICR 521, 530) that where the law of the EEC was clear the English statute should be construed so as to conform with Community law.

But he argued, in the present case Community law was far from clear and did not establish that one should look at all the contractual terms of a woman compared with a man.

Mr James pointed to the preamble to the Equal Pay Act and observed that the Act was intended to give a woman equal treatment as regarded her conditions looked at overall.

He submitted that when the Act was amended by the 1983 Regulations to include equal value, it had to be looked at in the light of article 119 which involved considerations other than wages or salary.

The appeal tribunal considered that although Mr Pannick's argument was very persuasive the terms of section 1(2) were equally capable of bearing the meaning ascribed to them by Mr James.

Article 119 had to be applied and it was necessary to look at the overall package.

An industrial tribunal was quite capable of carrying out the necessary inquiry. The appeal would be dismissed.

Solicitors: Brian Thompson & Partners, Manchester; Davis Campbell & Co, Liverpool.

Petitioner debarred because debt was incurred after dissolution

In re Aga Estate Agencies Ltd

Before Mr Justice Harman

[Judgment given May 23]

A creditor of a company whose debt was incurred after the dissolution of the company could not apply to have the company restored to the companies register.

Mr Justice Harman so held in a reserved judgment in the Chancery Division dismissing the petition of Mahmout Sinan to have Aga Estate Agencies Ltd restored to the register of companies.

Mr Philip Hoser for the petitioner; Mr John Mummery for the registrar of companies.

MR JUSTICE HARMAN said that the petition was for the restoration of the name of Aga Estate Agencies Ltd to the register of companies so that the company might thereupon be wound up compulsorily on the ground of insolvency.

The company owed the petitioner £5,416 in respect of an advance made in August 1972 to the National Westminster Bank to redeem a charge held by the bank on freehold property of the company.

Difficulty arose since the company had been struck off the register and was thereby dissolved on October 19, 1971 pursuant to section 353 of the Companies Act 1948

There was undoubtedly a freehold property registered in the name of the company; the petitioner had a genuine claim for a not insubstantial sum of money which would be repaid by a sale of the property and although he had shown some lack of diligence in pursuing any remedy, had been the victim of the controller of the company, a convicted fraudster.

Accordingly it seemed to his Lordship that he should try to assist the petitioner in obtaining the relief which broad justice required.

He was however greatly concerned by *In re New Timbiqui Gold Mines Ltd* ([1961] Ch 319) which held that in order to qualify as a member or creditor within section 353(6) of the 1948 Act the petitioner had to show that he was a member or creditor at the date when the company was dissolved, which the present petitioner was not.

Section 353(6) of the 1948 Act provided: "If a company or any member or creditor thereof feels aggrieved by the company having been struck off the register, the court on an application made by the company or member or creditor before the expiration of 20 years from the publication . . . of the notice . . . may . . . order the name of the company to be restored to the register".

Despite the careful argument of Mr Hoser and the cases cited by him, his Lordship held that *In re New Timbiqui Gold Mines Ltd* correctly construed the statute and that it would be wrong for him to depart from that decision which had been followed and applied many times since it was announced.

The petition could therefore not be entertained since it was presented by a person with no *locus standi* under section 353(6) of the 1948 Act.

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Corporate Level Secretary

...to the Personnel Director

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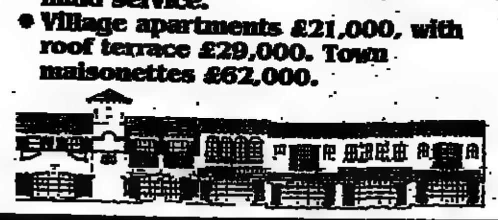

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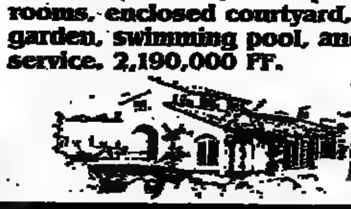

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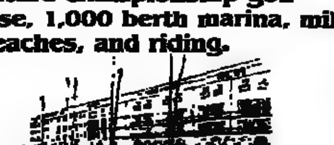

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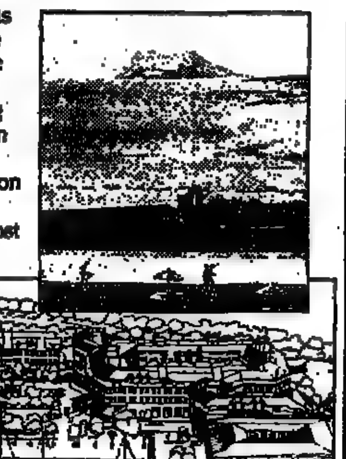

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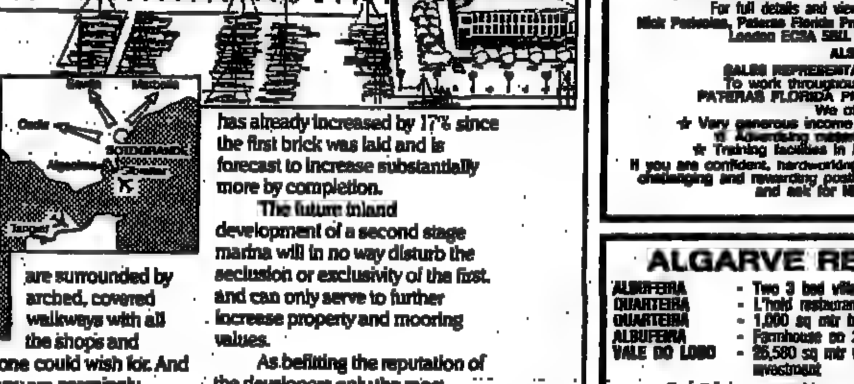

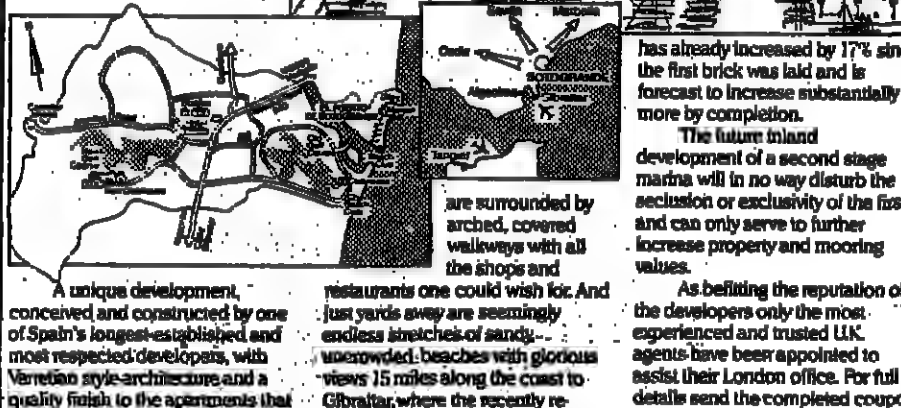

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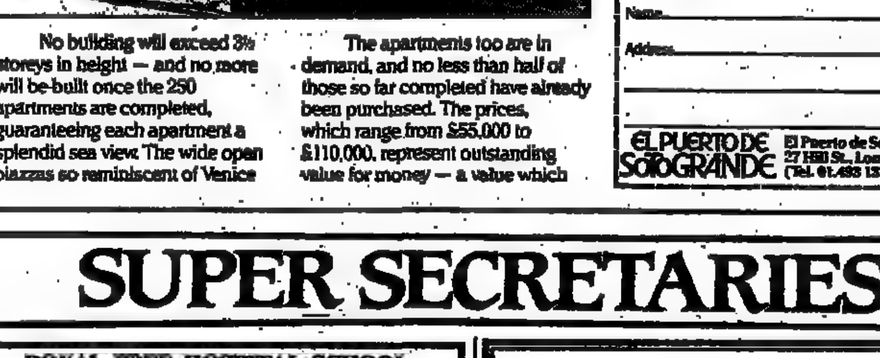

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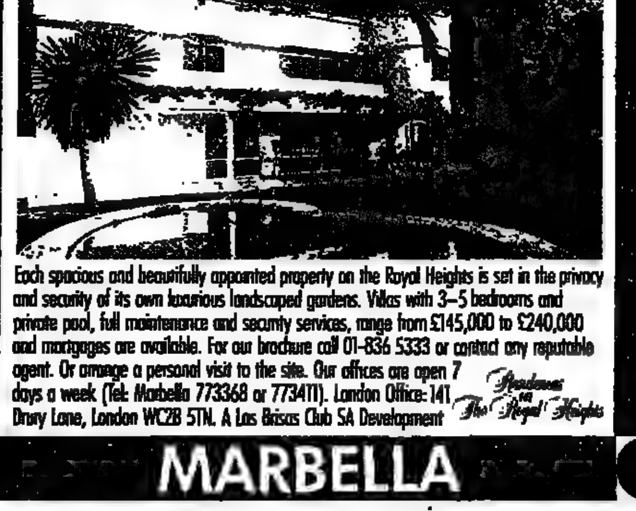

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The home finders are now moving in

By Christopher Warman
Property Correspondent

The difficulties of buying a house are legion, and the strain associated with it is well-known and probably written about in learned medical journals. What is less well known is that many people set out to buy a particular house or a particular sort of house in a specified area and end up buying a totally different house in a different area.

There are two answers to this problem, which may become a well documented syndrome known as "purchaser's panic": the first is to stay put and refuse to move; the second is to let other people find the house you want, where you want, refuse to move unless they find it, and pay them a fee if they do.

The big relocation firms, mentioned in this column recently, concentrate on moving company staff in reasonable numbers and are rarely able to help individuals who want to move. In the past year or two a growing number of businesses have started with the intention of being estate agents in reverse — buying a house for a client instead of selling it — and this trend is fast increasing.

An indication that this is so comes from the fact that an Association of Relocation Agents is being formed to bring together agents in this field. The embryonic association believes that the purchaser needs as much help as the property seller, perhaps more because he or she has to locate the property in the first place, and although estate agents will act for buyers their services are expensive. Generally they will act only for those seeking properties in the upper price brackets.

Demand for this service seems to be growing

Many small firms have recently opened — and some of them have already closed — as individual house hunters. Though the demand for their services seems to be growing, there are some which have let the side down. According to the association there are the bored housewives who come into the business but have not got the skill and experience needed, and there are people who open up full of confidence, charge a high signing-on fee and provide no service for it.

The idea of an association arose after an article provoked 65 letters from people either in the business or wanting to be in it seeking further information.

The property a home-search agent would be lucky to find: The Old Chancel, in Sidmouth, south Devon, may be a folly, but it is a monument to the eccentric Peter Orlando Hutchinson, historian and wood carver, who bought the original chancel of the 15th-century parish church with its 18th-century east window when it was threatened with demolition and then rebuilt it nearby in 1864. The Grade I property has three reception rooms and three or four bedrooms. Savills' office in Salisbury, Wiltshire, is asking £180,000

The result is that after an initial meeting of 20 small firms of relocation agents, the association will be formally be set up at a meeting on June 15, with the intention of setting standards and weeding out the crooks and amateurs.

Paul Greenwood, formerly an estate agent, whose house-hunting firm has been operating now for two years, strongly believes the need for such firms, not only at the upper end of the market where they began, but also for firms in the middle range of £80,000 to £200,000.

Mr Greenwood said: "The cheapest property we have bought was a cottage for £28,000, but it needed doing up. If somebody wanted a semi-detached in Swindon we could not help, because the established estate agents are there with the properties. But we can provide a useful adjunct of the house-buying business by helping people to find the house they want."

The essential thing to understand is that the estate agent is there to sell a property for a client, and the relocation agent is there to find a property. "We do not sell properties, so there is no split loyalty," said Mr Greenwood. "We can tell a client if a particular house has a good view of the gasworks or is on the flight path to an airport, and it is our duty to do so."

These agents usually charge a signing-on fee to show good intent, then a further fee if a property is successfully purchased. The average — and probably the desired standard — is £100 to start with and 1 per cent of the purchase price. However, some cheats have charged £350 to sign on but have failed to provide any service.

Agents in this field tend to concentrate on particular areas. One at the upper end of the market, London-based Property Vision, looks westward along the M4 corridor, and provides videos of suitable properties to avoid possible waste of time visiting a house which at first sight is totally wrong.

The number of firms increases by the day. Among the newer arrivals is Property Matching, based at East

Potential purchasers will get a videotape

Molesey, Surrey (01-941 5797), which focuses on central and south-west London, Surrey or Middlesex. This firm will make and send a videotape of properties which match the requirements, or send a report, and only after approval will potential purchasers need to visit them.

Another is VIP Estate Services, a London-based home search agents (01-740 6527), which acts for both companies and individuals.

There are many others, whether they are fully professional or cowboys or are run by bored housewive — some of whom will certainly provide a good service — but since a new association is being formed, it might be best to bear it in mind.

● *The association can be contacted through Paul Greenwood, Stacks and Co, Kemble Farm, Minety, Malmesbury, Wiltshire (0666 860523).*

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RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY/2

Duncan-Sandys asks £1m for the blue house

■ Lord and Lady Duncan-Sandys are selling their early 19th-century London house, Sapphire Lodge, in Vincent Square. Lord Duncan-Sandys, one of the last survivors of Churchill's wartime Cabinet, moved there in 1946, having lent his Westminster Gardens flat to the Churchills after the Conservatives' 1945 election defeat. Early this century the house was decorated to match its name, with the ironwork also painted blue.

The house, overlooking Westminster School's playing fields, has a reception hall, a drawing room, a dining-room and study, six bedrooms and four bathrooms. The agents Russell Simpson are asking £1 million for the freehold.

■ Byde Mill, a former mill house in the National Trust village of Lacock, Wiltshire, standing on a site mentioned in the Domesday Book, is for sale through Cluttons' Bath office, which is asking for offers around £160,000. The property, dating from the 17th century, ceased operating as a mill in 1924 and was formerly split into two cottages. The house, set in five acres, has three reception rooms, five bedrooms and several outbuildings.

Doctor in debt

■ Winthorpe Hall, Winthorpe, near Newark, Nottinghamshire, is a fine Grade II listed 18th-century country house in a prominent position in the village. The building was begun in 1753 for Robert Taylor, physician to George II, who was bankrupted by the project. It was bought in 1763 for £8,000 by Roger Pocklington, whose family kept it for generations. A complete restoration programme was begun in 1972 and continued by its present owners. The accommodation includes a reception hall, five main reception rooms and five bedrooms. There is a self-contained ground floor with three reception rooms and three bedrooms, and the house stands in about five acres of gardens and grounds. Strutt & Parker's Grantham office with Frank Innes of Newark are asking for offers around £175,000.

■ Park Cottage, an early 19th-century house which was formerly two cottages, is for sale at East Grafton, Wiltshire. The property, with grounds of three-quarters of an acre, was modernized by Harrods 40 years ago. It has two reception rooms, four bedrooms and a large pantry. Carter Jonas of Marlborough gives a guide price of £120,000-£140,000.

Home in the valley

■ Coppers, at West Meon, Hampshire, is set in one and a half acres, including mature copper beech trees. It is mainly Georgian and stands in the historic village, which has been virtually untouched by 20th-century architecture. This house in the heart of the Meon valley retains many period features, and the accommodation includes a marbled reception hall, three reception rooms, a principal bedroom suite, a guest suite, five further bedrooms and several outbuildings. Weller Eggar is asking around £230,000.

The Three Cocks, at Tetbury, Gloucestershire, was for many years — as the name suggests — a public house. The Cotswold stone house dates back to the 17th century, and it is reputed that Oliver Cromwell stayed there when he besieged Beverstone Castle. Cromwell, according to the estate agents' particulars, must have been one of the most sociable of country house guests, for scarcely a month passes without a reference to his visit to one house or another. The Three Cocks is situated in about one and a half acres of gardens, one mile from the town, and has three reception rooms, a master bedroom suite and three further bedrooms. Knight Frank & Rutley's Cirencester office is asking for offers around £165,000

Handbook for the home

The National House Building Council, an independent body dedicated to promoting better housing standards and to safeguarding house buyers, has launched a new home owners' manual designed to help to protect their interests.

The council, which celebrates its 50th anniversary this year, has already published guides for house buyers, but this new version is its response to public demand for a more detailed guide to houses and their construction.

There have been calls for the introduction of a house "log-book", on the lines of a motor car log-book, which gives the legal title of ownership. The idea would have been not only to give details of the house but also to use it as a way of transferring ownership, just as a car log-book changes hands.

But after consultation with professional bodies, including the Law Society and consumer organizations, the council decided this was not feasible. It would be impossible to make such a log-book legally binding if structural changes were made to a house after its sale, and it would not be practical to include the legal conveyancing documents in it.

The new handbook, which will be distributed free to all buyers of new houses registered with the council — amounting to more than 99 per cent of houses built every year — includes advice on maintaining the house, information on the NHBC 10-year warranty, a section on the difference between brick and block and timber frame construction, and a section on security.

The council is careful not to enter the controversy over the form of construction, contenting itself with saying that "when properly built both forms of construction are equally satisfactory and durable and both meet or exceed the requirements of the building regulations".

It does, however, advise owners not to fill the cavities, not to alter walls or roof without consulting a qualified builder or professional, and to be careful about punching holes in the exterior walls.

As we become more conscious of the need to save energy, the book includes a section on this topic, with advice which includes the suggestion of wearing warmer clothes: "Putting on a woolly means you can turn down the heating. Every degree lower is a saving."

Advice extends to the garden, with a warning of the dangers if large trees are planted too near the house, and there is also information about how to get on

'Taking neighbours to court should always be avoided'

with the neighbours and avoid friction over boundaries and noise. It suggests that taking a neighbour to court is not the best way of solving problems: "Obviously this does not help neighbourly relations and should be avoided if possible."

The package comes with a home owners' information card giving basic facts about the house and its construction, which must be completed by the builder in order to qualify for the council's warranty scheme — and which is to be kept in the airing cupboard.

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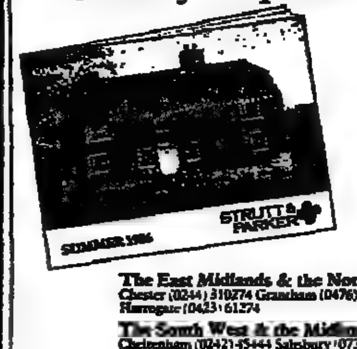

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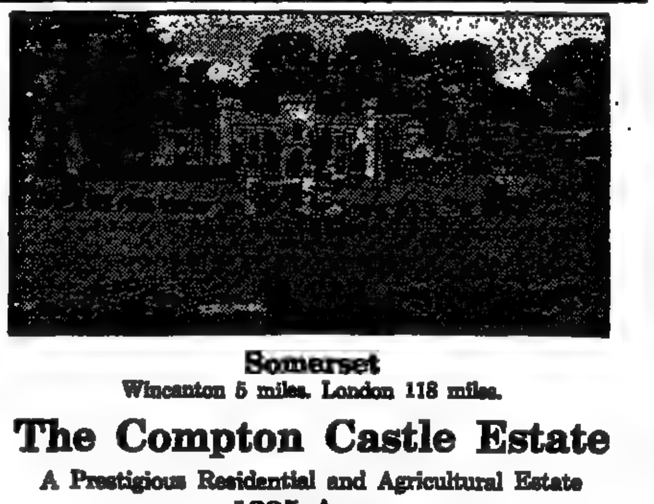

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HEREFORDSHIRE, WORCS, & SHROP

HEREFORD 14 MILES

Hay on Wye 9 miles. Delightful quietly situated det black & white cottage. Inglenooks, exposed beams etc. 4 beds, 1 bath, 3 lge receps, lge kit, Gge, storehse. ½ acre sunny gdn. Offers over £67,500. 054 46 729 (T).

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KENT

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MIDLANDS

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NORTH EAST

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OXFORDSHIRE

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NEAR WANTAGE 17th C. listed cottage, tastefully renovated. Just rethatched, 3 beds, GCH, dbl ggs. £87,950. Childrey 264

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SCOTLAND

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LOCH NESS, Fort Augustus det cottage by river 4 rooms, K&B, basement. CH. D/G. garden. £31,500. 0320 6347.

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SURREY

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SUSSEX

HOVE EAST SUSSEX.

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£165,000
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SUSSEX Piddinghoe, Nr N'haven 2 bed cott, rec: mod bthrm, k, sml gdn, cntre village. £46,950 Newhaven 512742 (eve)

WALES

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NR CARMARTHEN Swansea 22 mls, country house. Views, 16 acres, arboretum, garden, stables, pool, 6 beds/baths, 2 flats. CH. £200,000 Tel:(05584) 610

SNOWDONIA COTTAGE in secluded hillside position. Mountain and sea views. ¼ acre £16,500 Tel: 06653 2487

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Ref: RPC/B1808/2

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
No 002819 of 1986
MR JUSTICE HOFFMANN

IN THE MATTER OF DEBRON INVESTMENTS PLC
and
IN THE MATTER of THE COMPANIES ACT 1985

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301 1-11 **ALLEZ MILORD (USA)(D)** (b Tom Rolfe - Why Me Lord (J Brody) G Harwood 9 0 ..... C Asmussen 14
(Yellow, red sash, black and white hooped sleeves, red cap)

302 101-12 **AROKAR (FR)** (b or br Akarad - Arosa) (K Al-Said) J De Chevigny (Fr) 9 0 ..... Y Saint-Martin 15
(Red, white cap, green star)

304 324-332 **BOLD ARRANGEMENT** (ch Persian Bold - Arrangement) (A Richards) C Brittain 9 0 ..... C McCarron 13
(Black and white, halved horizontally, check cap, yellow sleeves)

305 11-11 **DANCING BRAVE (USA)** (Lyphard - Navajo Brave) (K Abdulla) G Harwood, 9 0 ..... G Starkey 6
(Green, pink sash and cap, white sleeves)

306 111-21 **FARAWAY DANCER (USA)** (br Far North - Prove Us Royal) (P Burrell) H Cecil 9 0 ..... W Ryan 16
(Dark green, white hoops, dark green sleeves, white cap)

307 11-10 **FIORAVANTI (USA)** (b Northern Dancer - Pitasia) (Sheikh Mohammed) D O'Brien (Ire) 9 0 ..... C Roche 9
(Maroon, white sleeves, white cap, maroon star)

308 0111-11 **FLASH OF STEEL** (b Kris - Spark of Fire) (B Firestone) D Weld (Ire) 9 0 ..... M Kinane 5
(Emerald green, white diamond frame and diamonds on sleeves, quartered cap)

309 210 **JAREER (USA)** (b Northern Dancer - Fabuleux Jane) (Maktoum Al Maktoum) M Stoute 9 0 ..... B Rouse 4
(Royal blue, white chevron, light blue cap)

310 211-311 **MASHKOUR (USA)(D)** (ch Irish River - Sancta Rose) (Prince A Salman) H Cecil 9 0 ..... S Cauthen 3
(Yellow, blue diamonds on body, yellow cap, blue spots)

311 100-412 **MR JOHN** (ch Northfields - Ashton Amber) (J Michael) L Browne (Ire) 9 0 ..... T Ives 2
(White, emerald green stars, white sleeves, white cap emerald green spots)

312 143-131 **NISNAS (D)** (Tap On Wood - Suemette) (F Salman) P Cole 9 0 ..... P Waldron 11
(Dark green, dark green cap, light green spots)

313 12-12 **NOMROOD (USA)** (b Alleged - Sweet Habit) (F Salman) P Cole 9 0 ..... T Quinn 12
(Dark green)

314 2-11 **SHAHRASTANI (USA)** (ch Nijinsky - Shademah) (H H Aga Khan) M Stoute 9 0 ..... W R Swinburn 10
(Green, red epaulettes)

315 111-043 **SHARROOD (USA)** (ro Caro - Angel Island) (Sheikh Mohammed) W Hern 9 0 ..... W Carson 1
(Maroon, white sleeves, maroon cap, white star)

316 23-1323 **SIRK** (ch Kris - Belle Viking) (Capt M Lemos) C Brittain 9 0 ..... P Robinson 17
(Royal Blue, white hoop, striped cap)

317 01-1 **THEN AGAIN** (b Jazzeiro - New Light) (R Shannon) L Cumani 9 0 ..... R Guest 8
(Yellow, red spaulottes, red & yellow quartered cap)

318 12 **WISE COUNSELLOR (USA)(BF)** (b Alleged - Quarrel) (S Niarchos) V O'Brien 9 0 ..... Pat Eddery 7
(Dark blue, light blue cross belts, striped sleeves, white cap)

11-4 Dancing Brave, 4 Shahrastani, 11-2 Allez Milord, 12 Bold Arrangement, Mashkour, 14 Jareer, Wise Counsellor, 16 Arokar, 20 Nomrood, 25 Flash of Steel, 33 Sharrood, Faraway Dancer, Fioravanti, 40 Nisnas, Sirk, 66 Mr John.

1985: Slip Anchor 9 0 S Cauthen 9-4 Fav H Cecil 14 ran.

Form for the 17 contenders

FORM: ALLEZ MILORD opened his season by (9-6) beating All Haste (8-7) a head at Newmarket, last time (8-12) took Goodwood listed event by 5L from Badarbak (8-12) (1m 4f, £16934, soft, May 21, 8 ran). **AROKAR**, (9-12) 1L Longchamp Group 1 2nd to Fast Topaze (9-2) (1m 2.5f, £60529, firm, May 18, 7 ran). **DANCING BRAVE**, (9-0) impressive 3L 2,000 Guineas winner from Green Desert (9-0) in a slow run race. **SHARROOD** (9-0) 1 1/2L and a head away 4th (8f, £107145, good, May 3, 15 ran). Earlier **DANCING BRAVE** 8-7) beat **FARAWAY DANCER** (8-7) 1L at Newmarket with **MASHKOUR** (8-7) 1/2L back in 3rd and **SHARROOD** (8-7) behind having been hampered (8f, £15400, soft, Apr 17, 11 ran). **FARAWAY DANCER** (8-12) has since beaten Top Guest (8-12) 5L at Chester (1m 2f), and **MASHKOUR** (9-0) has beaten Bakharoff (9-0) 1/2L in the Lingfield Derby Trial (1m 4f, £48573, good to soft, May 10, 6 ran). **FLASH OF STEEL**, (9-0) beat **MR JOHN** (9-0) 3/4L in Irish 2,000 Guineas. **SHARROOD** (9-0) 4L back 3rd and the hitherto unbeaten **FIORAVANTI** (9-0) 4L away 5th of 6 (8f, £85739, heavy, May 17). **JAREER** (9-0) easy 6L Yarmouth (7f) winner from Northern Amethyst (9-0) prior to finishing lame and last in Dewhurst. **NISNAS**, (9-4) beat Verd-Antique (9-4) 1/2L at Lingfield (1m 4f, £2642, good to soft, May 9, 6 ran). **SHAHRASTANI** (9-0) beat **NOMROOD** (9-0) 1 1/2L in York's Dante Stakes. **SIRK**, (9-0) 1L away 3rd of 7 (1m 2f, £60454, good, May 14). In 1985 **NOMROOD** (9-0) 1 1/2L and 2L 3rd behind Bakharoff (9-0) and **BOLD ARRANGEMENT** (9-0) in Doncaster Futurity, but awarded 2nd place after Bold Arrangement had been disqualified. **BOLD ARRANGEMENT** (9-0) 2 1/4L runner-up to Ferdinand (9-0) in Kentucky Derby on latest outing (1m 2f, £426154, fast, May 3, 15 ran). Ex-Irish **THEN AGAIN**, (8-9) beat Auction Fever (7-13) decisive 3/4L at Pontefract (1m 2f, £3078, good to soft, May 23, 6 ran). **WISE COUNCELLOR** (8-11) head 2nd to Toca Madera (8-0) at Leopardstown (1m 2f, £26000, good to soft, May 10, 9 ran).

Selection: DANCING BRAVE. Each-way: NOMROOD.

RACING: SAINT-MARTIN'S MOUNT CAN END 10-YEAR WAIT FOR FRANCE BY EMULATING EMPERY

Arokar to star in French collection

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

The open nature of this year's Derby — from which the Chantilly-bound Bakharoff was the only defector at the overnight stage — takes me back 10 years to 1976, which was the last time the race was won by a colt trained in France. That was Empery, whose preparation for our premier classic took in the Prix Lupin at Longchamp where he finished a close third to Youth and Arctic Tern.

Now, by sheer coincidence I think that it could be the turn of another Gallic challenger, **AROKAR** to strike a blow for French racing and breeding. Like Empery his route to Epsom also took in the Prix Lupin. And, like Empery, he was also beaten in it, but far from disgraced in going down by a length to the French 2,000 Guineas winner, Fast Topaze.

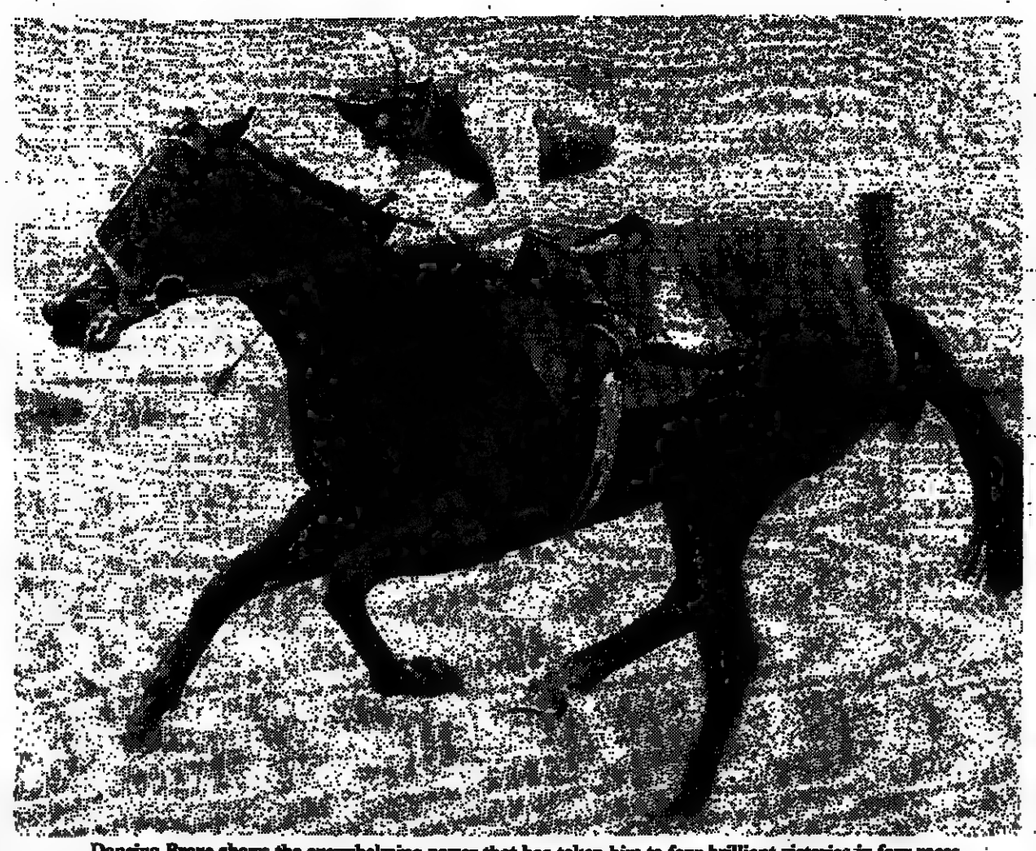
Yves Saint-Martin, his jockey, is on record as saying that he might have won had he known Arokar better. With two pacemakers in the field Arokar's Lupin was a real race. Not surprisingly it was run in a cracking good time, the fourth best since the War.

The way that Arokar stuck to his task in the straight that day suggested to me that he will be in his element today racing over an extra furlong and a half. And when you analyse his pedigree that should not be surprising. His sire, Akarad, won the group one Grand Prix de St-Cloud over mile and a half after finishing second in the French Derby, while his maternal grandsire, Silver Shark, was able to win the Prix Eugene Adam over 10 furlongs at St-Cloud in 1966 after earlier showing high-class form over distances ranging from five furlongs to nine furlongs.

So it is my contention that Arokar's pedigree is a perfect blend of speed and stamina which will not look out of place in the history of today's great race.

While conceding that at Epsom horses ridden and trained by Frenchmen seldom appeal to the English betting public as a whole, I still feel that Saint-Martin is able to deliver the goods if he has the right horse under him. And in this instance the man who won the Derby on Relko and the Oaks on Monade and Pawneese could easily find Arokar the ideal conveyance.

Yesterday it was clear that my selection had travelled well from France and that he had settled in nicely in his new surroundings when he was seen out exercising on the Downs. He looked beautifully balanced as he strode down the hill round Tattenham Corner and he quickened up nicely to pass his lead horse in the last 200 yards.



Dancing Brave shows the overwhelming power that has taken him to four brilliant victories in four races

Tim Bulwer-Long, who is Sayyid Kais Al-Said's racing manager told me that both the colt's trainer, Jacques de Chevigny, and Saint-Martin feel that they have the colt spot on and that Arokar might well have come on by as much as 5lb since the Lupin. Their attention to detail has been such that in addition to all their own food they have also brought from Chantilly their own blacksmith. The last time the man in question was here on a similar mission was when he accompanied Sea Bird for Etienne Pollet in 1965. Who knows? French lightning might just strike again in the same place.

Looking at the race as a whole I think that there are only two avenues open. You are either for **Dancing Brave** or you are not. It remains my contention that the 2,000 Guineas winner is basically the most gifted member of this 17-strong field. So if you fancy him to do as well over a mile and a half as he has done over a mile already you must stand by him and look no further.

If, on the other hand, like me, you happen to think that his pedigree is suspect and that like many good milers before him (Shadeed, Lomond, Tap On Wood, Wollow, Blushing Groom, and Nonoalco to name but six) he will run out of steam long before the end you have to look elsewhere.

All credit, though, to the man in the hot seat for sticking to his guns and preferring him to Guy Harwood's other runner, **Allez Milord**, who has at least won over the Derby distance. For what it is worth I think that holes can be picked in Allez Milord's form.

Michael Stoute, who is now one of five trainers to be doubly represented in today's field, put his finger on the pulse during the weekend when he said that his first string, **Shahrastani**, is probably the best bet to finish in the first three, although unfortunately his is not an each-way price.

Hailed prematurely in some circles as the next Shergar, Shahrastani showed that that comment was wide of the mark at York last month when he won the Mecca-Dante Stakes in workman-like fashion. Shergar was brilliant on his day. To my way of thinking Nomrood and Sirk finished too close to Shahrastani at York to get excited.

Jareer, Stoute's other runner, has what is arguably the best pedigree of all. True to it, he is clearly a fast top of the ground horse, but unfortunately his trainer had been unable to give him a race this season. In spite of that I expect to see him run really well.

In his first attempt to improve Whatcombe's already great classic record, Paul Cole is saddling Nisnas in addition to Nomrood. While wishing to take nothing away from **Nomrood**, who is after all the preferred choice of Cole's stable jockey, Richard Quinn, I still expect a prominent showing from the second string, **Nisnas**, who undoubtedly did well to beat Henry Cecil's highly-rated colt, Verd-Antique, over a mile and a half at Lingfield last month.

With Verd-Antique temporarily on the sidelines, Cecil is now fielding **Faraway Dancer** and **Mashkour**, who finished second and third, respectively, behind Dancing Brave in the Craven.

In an attempt to give Warren Place its second taste of success in as many years I expected Steve Cauthen to be on Faraway Dancer, that is until the colt in question bruised a foot and then developed a rash last week. He has recovered but the champion jockey has still picked Mashkour instead. However, he is no Slip Anchor.

There is no reason why **Sirk** should beat either Shahrastani or Nomrood, so we now come to his stable companion, **Bold Arrangement**, who has already excelled himself this spring by finishing second to Ferdinand in the Kentucky Derby. But the first leg of the American triple crown is run over only 10 furlongs and he is by Persian Bold and out of a mare by Floribunda, which is not a stying pedigree.

A recent discussion with our Irish correspondent helped to rule all four from there out of my calculations. **Wise Counsellor** has only been drafted in as a late replacement in an open year for Imperial Falcon, while **Fioravanti** has still to justify all the superlatives that have been lavished on his head.

Flash Of Steel and **Mr John**, who finished first and second in the Irish 2,000 Guineas, looked milers to me. At least **Sharrood**, who finished third to them at the Curragh is bred to get further.

Finally, **Then Again**, the only other runner still to deal with, worked really pleasingly at Newmarket on Saturday. But his Pontefract form hardly had the hallmarks of a classic victory imprinted upon it.

O'Brien is hopeful of seventh triumph

By Michael Seely

Wise Counsellor was the strongest last-minute Derby tip at a mist-enshrouded Epsom racetrack early yesterday morning. Vincent O'Brien, already with six victories in Britain's premier classic to his credit, said: "Wise Counsellor has improved a lot in the past fortnight. I think he's come here with stronger credentials than Law Society last year, and I shall be very disappointed if he doesn't finish in the first three."

Being the first man to have realized the suitability of the offspring of Northern Dancer for European racing, O'Brien is the leading authority on the subject. So, discussing the prospects of Dancing Brave, a grandson of the world's most prepotent stallion, it was interesting to hear him say: "You have to be impressed by the enormous stable confidence. But the odds must be slightly against the favourite staying. Personally, I've never found Lyphard colts to improve with racing. And if Dancing Brave's stamina lets him down, it's one of the most open Derbys for years.

Pat Eddery rode Wise Counsellor in a four-furlong spin with Sur Sturt. And Flash Of Steel, the Irish 2,000 Guineas winner, went about the same distance on his own, with Michael Kinane in the saddle.

Arokar, the solitary French challenger, was one of the first horses out on the course. "I'm very hopeful," commented Jacques de Chevigny about the Prix Lupin runner-up. "Yves Saint-Martin said that if he'd ridden the colt before, he'd just about have beaten Fast Topaze at Longchamp."

Clive Brittain's pair, Bold Arrangement and Sirk, were the last to be seen in action, the Newmarket trainer having collected Chris McCarron from Heathrow 45 minutes earlier. "We got a little held up. There appeared to be about 10 million Chinese coming through immigration control," said the Newmarket trainer.

McCarron, an elfin-looking 31-year-old weighing 110lb, who has 4,400 winners to his credit and over $5m in prize money this season, was in a laid-back mood as he tucked into a hearty English breakfast of eggs, bacon, tomatoes, baked beans and fried bread. "Bold Arrangement gave me a tremendous feel. He's as the muscle, and much more aggressive than at Churchill Downs when I rode him into second place in the Kentucky Derby.

Like O'Brien and the rest of the racing world, one has to be impressed by the confidence shown by the highly-professional Pulborough camp in Dancing Brave. But in taking the view that Khaled Abdulla's 2,000 Guineas winner may fall through lack of stamina, I am going for the improving Shahrastani and suggest Wise Counsellor and Allez Milord to fill the places.

A to Z Derby guide

ALLEZ MILORD: Bred in the United States by his owner, Jerome Brody, and will be ridden by the Texan, Cash Asmussen, currently leading jockey in France and described by Henry Candy as "the man with the silken hands." Unbeaten in three outings and earned his Derby chance the hard way with an emphatic victory in testing going over the full Derby distance in Goodwood's Predominate Stakes. Has John Hislop, Brigadier Gerard's owner-breeder, among his admirers. Not to be underestimated.

AROKAR: Empery was last French-trained Derby winner in 1976. This sole Gallic raider will be partnered by the veteran Yves Saint-Martin, successful on Relko in 1963. Gallant second to highly regarded Fast Topaze in the group one Prix Lupin at Longchamp last month and represents good each-way value at current odds.

BOLD ARRANGEMENT: Meritorious runner-up in the 10-furlong Kentucky Derby, and unruffled by the Churchill Downs razmatazz. Clive Brittain's hardy traveller should take the pre-race parade in his stride. Despite his trainer's optimism, serious doubts remain about the horse's stamina. Will be reunited with his Kentucky partner, Chris McCarron, who gets first taste of Epsom in the two races preceding the Derby..

DANCING BRAVE: Breeding pundits see little chance of this Lyphard colt staying the Derby trip, contrary to jockey Greville Starkey, who declared the colt would stay six miles after his impressive 2,000 Guineas triumph. Significantly, Britain's senior rider, successful on Shirley Heights in 1978, has remained loyal throughout to this unbeaten colt, who is blessed with instant acceleration and a perfect temperament. The previous three Guineas winners, Lomond, El Gran Senor and Shadeed failed to complete the double - the last was Nijinsky in 1970 - but Pulborough's No 1 hope has the class to overcome any stamina deficiency and can give Guy Harwood his first Derby victory.

FARAWAY DANCER: Close second to Dancing Brave on soft going in Newmarket's Craven Stakes, where he finished in front of stable companion, Mashkour. Later ran out a convincing winner over 10 furlongs at Chester. Has a stamina doubt and a recent bruised heel cannot have helped his preparation. Nevertheless, if fully fit can provide Willie Ryan with a memorable first Derby ride.

FIORAVANTI: His trainer, David O'Brien, won with Secreto in 1984, but this Northern Dancer colt needs fast ground to show his true ability. Had worthwhile form as a juvenile, but failed to cope with gluepot conditions in the Irish 2,000 Guineas. Will be partnered by theexperienced Christy Roche, who triumphed on Secreto in 1984.

FLASH OF STEEL: Justified heavy support in the Irish 2,000 Guineas by outlasting fellow countryman Mr John, but is unlikely to be as effective on today's faster surface. This son of Kris is trained by Dermot Weld, who has won every major prize in Ireland.

JAREER: This Northern Dancer colt cost $7.1m a yearling, and looked an exciting prospect last September when winning at Yarmouth in tremendous style. Subsequently disappointed in the Dewhurst and is the only horse in today's race without a previous run this season. Home reports and heavy backing (down from 40-1 to 12-1) suggest he may be about to recapture his sparkle. An exciting spare ride for Brian Rouse.

MASHKOUR: Tends to run in snatches, but stays strongly and has followed the example of his stable companion, last year's winner, Slip Anchor, by capturing the Lingfield trial. His sire was the miler, Irish River, but he has the Washington International winner, Karabas, on his dam's side. A lazy colt, but is preferred by Steve Cauthen to Faraway Dancer and has a genuine each-way chance.

MR JOHN: Runner-up and slightly impeded behind Flash Of Steel in the Irish 2,000 Guineas. A late booking for the competent Tony Ives, but completely dismissed by the English bookmakers. However, his trainer, Liam Browne, saddled Carlingford Castle to finish second to Teenoso in 1983.

NISNAS: Talented trainer Paul Cole has made a great start from his new base at Whatcombe and is certain this son of Tap On Wood will give a good account of himself. Beat Henry Cecil's highly-regarded Verd-Antique at Lingfield. Philip Waldron (second on Master Willie in 1980) takes the mount.

NOMROOD: Paul Cole's stable jockey, Richard Quinn, has plumped for this Alleged colt, who did not have the best of runs when hemmed in on the rails behind Shahrastani at York. Earlier had held off Sirk in Chester Vase and could bely his generous odds.

SHAHRASTANI: The Aga Khan, trainer Michael Stoute and jockey Walter Swinburn, won in brilliant style with subsequent kidnap victim Shergar in 1981. This colt, who has attracted heavy ante-post support in the last few days, represents the same partnership. Has won the two most important trials this year - the Guardian at Sandown and Mecca-Dante at York. Failed to produce any fireworks at York with a workmanlike performance, but he looks the one to dent any chink in Dancing Brave's armour.

SHARROOD: Royal trainer Dick Hern and jockey Willie Carson won in 1979 and 1980 with Troy and Henbit, respectively, but are unlikely to be anything more than mildly hopeful that Sharrood can give them a third success. Held by Dancing Brave on Guineas form and failed to handle the heavy going when third in Irish equivalent.

SIRK: Clive Brittain's second string, but has made steady improvement and was much closer to Shahrastani at York than at Sandown. Sandwiched in between was his fast-finishing second to Nomrood at Chester. Should be suited by the Epsom gradients and is worth considering as a long-shot.

THEN AGAIN: Ex-Irish performer. Highly rated by his Newmarket-based Italian trainer, Luca Cumani, and has been impressing workwatchers on the gallops recently. Winning a modest Pontefract maiden hardly seems the ideal preparation for this prestigious event, but then again, who knows?

WISE COUNSELLOR: Vincent O'Brien is the greatest living trainer of Derby winners with six triumphs, so anything he runs has to be considered. The Alleged colt is a late substitute for Imperial Falcon after impressing in a gallop at Ballydoyle on Saturday morning. Did not look like a Derby winner when caught by Toca Madera at Leopardstown, but will have the benefit of Pat Eddery, (Grundy and Golden Fleece) in the saddle.

FINAL VERDICT: 1 **Dancing Brave**, 2 Shahrastani, 3 Allez Milord.

Dick Hinder

Harwood in top form

Guy Harwood, who saddles two strongly fancied contenders, Dancing Brave and Allez Milord, for today's Derby, showed that his Pulborough stable is in top form by landing a double with Santella Mac and Propensity at Salisbury yesterday.

Santella Mac defied top weight impressively in the Tryon Handicap, romping home by five lengths, while Gerald Leigh's newcomer Propensity easily landed the odds in the Rubbing House Maiden Fillies Stakes.

Al Trui proved himself in good shape for the Wokingham Handicap at Royal Ascot by landing the Durnford Handicap for the second year running. Given a fine ride by Michael Wigham, the top weight was held up until well inside the final furlong then burst through to beat Padre Pio and Ameghino

Hills in dual Oaks bid

Asteroid Field, third in the Irish 1,000 Guineas behind Sonic Lady, has been announced as a runner in the Oaks at Epsom on Saturday. She will be ridden by Yves Saint-Martin. Barry Hills's stable jockey, Brent Thomson, will ride the Lambourn trainer's other runner, Rejuvenate, winner of the Musidora Stakes at York.

Sixteen fillies were declared for the classic at yesterday's four-day stage. They are: Ala Mahlik (G Starkey), Asteroid Field (Y Saint-Martin), Bonshamile (R Guest), Broken Wave (—), Colorspin (B Rouse), Davemma (Gay Kelleway), Gesedeh (T Ives), Laughter (W Carson), Maysoon (W R Swinburn), Midway Lady (R Cochrane), Mill On The Floss (S Cauthen), Rejuvenate (B Thomson), Sanet (C Asmussen), Tralthee (Pat Eddery), Untold (Paul Eddery), Volida (P Robinson).

Course specialists

EPSOM

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 12 winners from 33 runners, 36.4%; H Candy 6 from 19, 31.6%; G Lewis 26 from 100, 26.0%.
JOCKEYS: P Waldron, 20 winners from 86 rides, 23.3%; W Carson, 28 winners from 142, 19.7%; S Cauthen 26 from 134, 19.4%.

RIPON

TRAINERS: B Hills, 8 winners from 24 runners, 33.8%; J Berry, 6 from 55, 14.5%; D Chapman, 14 from 102, 13.7%.
JOCKEYS: T Ives 15 winners from 86 rides, 17.4%; G Duffield 10 from 64, 15.6%; D Nicholls 12 from 98, 12.2%.

CARLISLE

TRAINERS: S Norton, 9 winners from 71 runners, 12.7%; J Etherington, 5 from 44, 11.4%; R Holmshead, 10 from 82, 10.9%.
JOCKEYS: G Duffield 15 winners from 78 rides, 19.2%; K Hodgson 8 from 41, 14.6%; S Perks 6 from 62, 9.7%.

Blinkered first time

EPSOM: 4.20 Tabardar. 4.50 Vicarcy Major.
CARLISLE: 2.15 Star Play, 4.15 Home Rule.
RIPON: 7.25 Polly Worth. 8.50 Saughtrees.

Carson should begin and end with a flourish

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

No matter how he gets on in the Derby aboard the outsider, Sharrood, Willie Carson will have plenty to smile about at Epsom today if, as I suspect, he lands a first and last race double on Sameek (2.0) and Maazi (5.20).

After running so well behind Zaibaq at Newmarket, **Sameek** lived up to that promise at York when he won on his next appearance and I take him to beat the useful filly, Regency Fille, in the Woodcote Stakes. Maazi, who I saw go well in a gallop at Whatcombe a week ago, may not be the most predictable of individuals. Nevertheless he goes well for Carson — as anybody who saw them win at Newbury last Autumn will testify — and I think that he should be capable of preventing Shmaireekh from winning the Craven Stakes for a second time in as many years.

Bollin Emily, who was beaten only a neck on her last venture south from Yorkshire where she is trained by Peter Easterby, is taken to go one better in the Nightrider Handicap, principally at the expense of Perion, who has won over today's course and distance already this season. Afterwards Perion went on to beat Bridge Street Lady by a length at Chester. A line through Bridge Street Lady gives Bollin Emily a few pounds in hand of Perion now.

Open though it is with 18 standing their ground, the Silver Seal Handicap still looks a good opportunity for **Master Line**, who trotted up by five lengths in a similar race at Sandown.

At much the same time **Chinaiserie** is expected to win the Ennerdale Water Maiden Stakes at Carlisle for Luca Cumani, who sent Fish 'n' Chips north from Newmarket to the Cumbrian track to win the same race 12 months ago.

At Ripon this evening all eyes will be on **Storm Hero** to see whether he can become Michael Dickinson's first winner for Robert Sangster in the EBF Appleyard Motors Stakes. During his recent open day at Manton, Dickinson went on record as saying that this colt by Storm Bird out of that fast mare, Noble Marks, is the most forward of his two-year-old colts.

Today's nap though is entrusted to **Daarkom** to win the Alton Group Stakes at the end of an evening during which Teleprompter's young half sister, **Table-Turning** is expected to go close in the Jeanifer Browning Handicap.

Daarkom looked a surefire future winner for his talented young Newmarket trainer, Alec Stewart, when he ran Dalgadiyr to a length at Windsor.

EPSOM C4

Televised: 2.0, 2.30, 3.30, 4.20

Going: good
Draw: low numbers best

2.0 WOODCOTE STAKES (2-y-o: £4,843: 6f) (7 runners)

101 2321 FRENCH TUITION (R Bedwell) R Hannon 9-0 ..... S Cauthen 5
102 21 SAMEEK (H Al-Maktoum) R Armstrong 9-0 ..... W Carson 7
104 0102 FAIRWAY LADY (Mrs J Mulford) D Hughes (IRE) 8-11 ..... M J Kinane 4
106 122 REGENCY FILLE (C Linney) R J Williams 8-11 ..... R Cochrane 2
107 0 DIVINE CHARGER (T Gregory) G Lewis 8-9 ..... P Waldron 3
110 0 PERSIAN STYLE (W Gredley) C Brittain 8-6 ..... C McCarron 6
111 MR EATS (Rokvale Ltd) P Kelleway 8-6 ..... C Asmussen 1

7-4 Sameek, 5-2 Regency Fille, 5-1 Fairway Lady, 7-1 French Tuition, 9-1 PersianStyle, 14-1 Divine Charger, Mr Eats.

FORM: FRENCH TUITION, (9-0) beat Keen Edge (9-0) 3/4L at Lingfield (5f mdn, £2844, good to soft, May 24, 12 ran). SAMEEK, (9-0) made all to beat Governorship (9-0) 1 1/2L at York (5f mdn, £3278, good to soft, May 15, 10 ran). FAIRWAY LADY, (8-8) 5L runner-up to very useful Irish filly Polonia (8-6) at The Curragh (6f, £4890, good to soft, May 24, 11 ran). REGENCY FILLE, (9-2) 2L Goodwood runner-up to Tender Tiff (6f, £2315, May 21, 6 ran). DIVINE CHARGER, (9-0) 8th to Arapii (9-0) at Newbury (5f mdn, £3269, soft, Apr 18, 9 ran). PERSIAN STYLE, (9-0) 13 1/2L 5th of 7 to Mandub (9-0) at Goodwood (5f Mdn, £1677, soft, May 22).
Selection: FRENCH TUITION.

Epsom selections

By Mandarin
2.0 Sameek. 2.30 Bollin Emily. 3.30 Arokar. 4.20 Master Line. 4.50 Twice Bowled. 5.20 Maazi.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Regency Fille. 2.30 Princess Wendy. 3.30 Shahrastani. 4.20 Truly Rare. 4.50 Twice Bold.

By Michael Seely
2.30 Bollin Emily. 3.30 SHAHRASTANI (nap). 4.20 Master Line.

2.30 NIGHTRIDER HANDICAP (£7,713: 5f) (16)

201 11120-3 PETROVICH (D) (J Horgan) R Hannon 4-9-10 ..... B Thomson 2
202 2030-30 IMPERIAL JADE (D) (S Kaplan) A Jarvis 4-9-9 ..... T Ives 3
203 00-3130 HILTON BROWN (BB)(D) (Lord McAlpine) P Cundell 5-9-7 ..... Pat Eddery 15
204 300030- DURHAM PLACE (D) (Mrs N Myers) K Brassey 5-9-0 ..... S Whitworth 5
205 0-60024 CLANTIME (B)(C-D) (Clantime Ltd) R Whitaker 5-8-0 ..... D McKeown 8
206 402-122 TYROLLIE (D) (Lady D'Avigdor-Goldsmid) N Vigors 4-8-13 ..... P Cook 1
207 342010- AXE VALLEY (D) (R Barber) P Cole 4-8-12 ..... T Quinn 9
208 00403-0 PERFECT TIMING (D) (R Vines) D Elsworth 4-8-11 ..... S Cauthen 13
209 14-0242 BOLLIN EMILY (D) (Mrs N Westbrook) M H Easterby 5-8-11 ..... M Birch 4
210 00000-0 NATIVE SKIER (FR) (B) (A Richards) C Austin 4-8-10 ..... C McCarron 8
211 0-10111 PERION (C-D) (E & B Productions Ltd) G Lewis 4-8-9 ..... P Waldron 7
213 3000-03 CHINA GOLD (D) (Mrs D Ibbotson) Miss L Siddall 7-8-2 ..... G Gosney 16
214 010-044 MUSIC MACHINE (D) (A Piller) P Nealon 5-7-8 ..... T Williams 14
215 44161-4 PRINCESS WENDY (D) (A Smith) N Callaghan 4-7-8 ..... J Lowe 12
216 00000-0 LITTLE STARCHY (C-D) (T Stafford) R Simpson 8-7-7 ..... N Adams 11
217 4000-00 CELTIC BIRD (D) (J Cooke) A Balding 6-7-7 ..... A Mackay 10

5-1 Bollin Emily, 6-1 Tyrollie, 13-2 Perion, 7-1 Petrovich, 9-1 Hilton Brown, 10-1 Clantime, Music Machine, 12-1 Imperial Jade, 14-1 Axe Valley, China Gold, 16-1 others.

FORM: PETROVICH, (9-0) 2 1/4L 3rd to Double Schwartz (9-3) at Sandown. IMPERIAL JADE (8-11) 9th of 10 (5f Group 3, £19170, good, May 26). TYROLLIE (9-0) 2 1/2L Newbury 2nd to Dawn's Delight (8-3) (6f, £10535, good to soft, May 17, 22 ran). PERION, (9-2) beat Bridge Street Lady (10-0) 1L at Chester. MUSIC MACHINE (8-8) 5 1/2L away 4th and LITTLE STARCHY (8-4) 7th of 8 (5f, £3916, soft, May 8). PERION, (8-1) previously beat BOLLIN EMILY (9-10) 1 1/2L at Doncaster (5f, good to firm, and earlier (7-13) beat CLANTIME (8-11) 2 1/2L over course and distance with HILTON BROWN (9-8) 2L back 3rd and MUSIC MACHINE (7-9) a neck away 4th (£3792, heavy, Apr 23, 9 ran). Last time BOLLIN EMILY (8-4) neck Goodwood 2nd to Laurie Lorman (7-13), CLANTIME (8-6) 2 1/2L away 4th and PERFECT TIMING (8-5) behind (5f, £12096, soft, May 22, 12 ran). CLANTIME (8-10) 1L runner-up to Double Schwartz (8-10) in Newmarket Group 3 earlier (5f, £15118, good, May 3, 13 ran). IMPERIAL JADE (8-7) a head away 3rd there, last season (9-10) 1/2L York 2nd to Chaplins Club (8-12) (5f, £4305, good to soft, Oct 9, 15 ran).
Selection: PETROVICH.

3.30 EVER READY DERBY STAKES (Group 1: 3-y-o colts & fillies: £239,260: 1m 4f) (17)

For runners and riders see above.

4.20 SILVER SEAL HANDICAP (£10,191: 1m 2f)-(18)

401 242221- EFFIGY (D) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 4-9-12 ..... G Starkey 8
402 020421-0 CELEBRITY (Lord Porchester) W Hern 4-9-9 ..... W Carson 5
405 30121-0 ASWAN (S Adham) J Fretwell 5-8-13 ..... NON-RUNNER 15
406 4141-03 TRULY RARE (USA) (Sheikh Mohammed) M Stoute 4-8-13 ..... W R Swinburn 4
407 011032/ I BIN ZAIDOON (USA)(D) (T Ramsden) R J Williams 5-8-11 ..... B Thomson 6
408 40-0000 THAT'S YOUR LOT (N Dorey) J Fretwell 4-8-11 ..... T Ives 7
409 000-000 MERLE (D) (J Adam) C Brittain 4-8-11 ..... C McCarron 2
410 400-301 TABARDAR (USA)(B)(D) (H H Aga Khan) R Johnson Houghton 4-8-11 (Sex) ..... S Cauthen 16
413 0-00020 GAY CAPTAIN (J Gabriance) J Bethell 4-8-7 ..... C Asmussen 18
414 31000-4 MAILMAN (D) (Mrs J McDougall) I Balding 7-8-7 ..... Pat Eddery 17
415 4310-00 GILDERDALE (C) (Avon Industries Ltd) N Vigors 4-8-4 ..... P Cook 10
417 300-00 TRY TO STOP ME (A Wilkinson) Denys Smith 5-8-3 ..... T Quinn 19
418 44-0403 RANA PRATAP (USA) (Mrs G Thornberry) G Lewis 6-8-3 ..... P Waldron 14
420 011300- GRUMBLE (N Crofield) R Hannon 4-8-1 ..... A McGlone 12
421 110-001 MASTER LINE (D) (Mrs J Anderson) H Candy 5-7-13 (Sex) ..... C Rutter (3) 3
422 115-010 BALLYDURROW (N Jaffe) R Fisher 9-7-12 (Sex) ..... J Lowe 11
423 200-142 COLONEL JAMES (D O'Callaghan) Mrs S Oliver 4-7-7 ..... D McKay 9
424 0300-00 JOLI WASFI (USA)(B)(C-D) (D Nakis) M Haynes 5-7-7 ..... B Crossley 1

4-1 Tabardar, 5-1 Truly Rare, 7-1 Master Line, 15-2 Gilderdale, 8-1 Celebrity, 10-1 Mailman, Rana Pratap, 12-1 Effigy, Colonel James, Ballydurrow, 16-1 others.

FORM: EFFIGY easy winner last time (1m 2f), earlier (9-9) short head 2nd to Tirrian (7-5) at Newmarket (1m 4f, £5016, good, Oct 4, 11 ran). TRULY RARE, (8-4) 1 1/4L 3rd of 23 to Pennine Walk (9-11) at Kempton. GILDERDALE (7-8) 2L back 8th. TABARDAR (7-13) and MERLE (8-5) behind (8f, £17246, good to firm, May 5). TABARDAR (9-5) 1/2L Goodwood winner from Esquire (10-1) last time (1m 2f, £3371, soft, May 21, 13 ran). GAY CAPTAIN (8-4) 3 3/4L 9th to Epsom Kalem (8-10) at Sandown. GILDERDALE (8-2) 7th, MERLE (9-10) and THAT'S YOUR LOT (8-8) behind (8f), previously (8-8) 1L Lingfield 2nd to Nebris (9-6), MAILMAN (8-8) 2 1/2L away 4th (1m 2f, £6108, good to soft, May 10, 7 ran). RANA PRATAP (8-12) 3L 3rd to Esquire (9-3) at Chester. MASTER LINE (8-9) 7th and THAT'S YOUR LOT (10-0) 8th (1m 2f). MASTER LINE (9-10) 5L Sandown winner from Free On Board (8-10) since (1m 2f, £2823, good, May 26, 19 ran). BALLYDURROW best effort this season when (9-1) 3L Edinburgh winner from Min Baladi (8-11) (1m 4f, £3210, good to firm, May 19, 13 ran).
Selection: GAY CAPTAIN.

4.50 GREAT SURREY CLAIMING STAKES (3-y-o: £5,663: 1m 110yd) (12)

501 0002-20 ALBERT HALL (USA)(BF) (R Sangster) B Hills 9-0 ..... B Thomson 10
502 00-00 BLUE BRILLIANT (A Shead) B Hills 9-0 ..... G Starkey 6
503 11240-0 EMPIRE BLUE (B) (G Mayfield) P Cole 9-0 ..... T Quinn 5
504 00-042 FIREPROOF (D Marks) D Marks 9-0 ..... A Clark 3
505 00-00 FIRE ROCKET (W Ponsonby) P Cole 9-0 ..... S Cauthen 7
506 1420-00 MAHOGANY RUN (P Savill) M H Easterby 9-0 ..... M Birch 9
508 01-0 TWICE BOLD (K Al-Said) N Callaghan 9-0 ..... Pat Eddery 1
509 4204 NATCHAKAM (FR)(B) (Mrs S Khan) G Lewis

RACING

RIPON

Going: Good to firm
Draw: 5f,6f low numbers best

7.0 E B F APPLEYARD MOTORS STAKES (2-y-o: £2,395: 6f) (12)

2 1 CONNAUGHT FLYER (D) C Tinkler 9-0 ..... M Wood 12
3 01 CROFTER'S CLINE Capt J Wilson 9-3 Julie Bowker (7) 7
5 ALBION PLACE (PR) M H Easterby 8-11 K Hodgson 11
8 ANOTHER SEASON Denys Smith 8-11 ..... D Nicholls 8
9 0 BANKS AND BRAES J Leigh 8-11 ..... NON-RUNNER 8
11 0 COMBERMERE J W Watts 8-11 ..... N Connorton 10
12 02 CONNOISSEUR GIPSY O Brennan 8-11 NON-RUNNER 9
15 FINLUX DESIGN R Hollinshead 8-11 ..... S Perks 1
17 002 HUNTER'S LEAP G M Moore 8-11 ..... A Mackay 3
18 LUZUM H Thomson Jones 8-11 ..... A Murray 4
19 0 MIAMI BAY M Britain 8-11 ..... K Darley 2
24 STORM HERO (USA) M W Dickinson 8-11 R Cochrane 5

9-4 Connaught Flyer, 5-2 Luzum, 3-1 Storm Hero, 11-2 Crofter's Cline, 8-1 Hunter's Leap, 10-1 Combermere, 12-1 others.

Ripon selections

By Mandarin

7.0 Storm Hero. 7.25 Samba Lass. 7.50 Romiosini. 8.20 Miss Shegas. 8.50 Table-Turning. 9.20 DAARKOM (nap).

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7.0 Luzum. 7.25 Gaywood Girl. 7.50 Touchez le Bois. 8.20 Silvers Era. 8.50 Native Habitat. 9.20 Daarkom.

7.25 PLUMB CENTER CELEBRATION SELLING HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,434: 6f) (18)

3 0-00 PENDOR DANCER K Ivory 9-7 ..... R Street 8
7 200- GUTSY H Jones 9-6 ..... N Connorton 16
9 0-00 SUMMERHILL SPRUCE E Eldin 9-4 ..... A Mackay 11
9 240- GAYWOOD GIRL M Tompkins 9-2 ..... M Hindle 2
11 -000 WINDING PATH (C-D) R Hollinshead 9-0 A Whitehall (7) 9
12 -032 SAMBA LASS T Barron 9-0 ..... R Cochrane 17
13 -000 STRAWBERRY SPLIT P Felgate 9-0 ..... G Duffield 18
14 0000 FRANDIE MISS W Bentley 8-13 ..... D Nicholls 15
17 -004 GALAXY GALA J Radcliffe 8-11 ..... S Keightley 3
21 0-00 LA MAMA PRINCE K Stone 8-8 ..... G Brown 10
22 3000 MISTER NANCY G Oldroyd 9-8 ..... J H Beeny (5) 14
23 0-00 POLLY WORTH (B) R Whitaker 8-7 ..... D McKeown 7
24 0-03 CREETOWN SALLY Miss A King 8-7 ..... I Johnson 4
25 2004 OUR MUMSIE (B) N Bycroft 8-7 ..... M Richardson (7) 6
26 0-00 MISS BERWICK C Gray 8-6 ..... S Webster 1
28 0-00 FEATHER GIRL D Chapman 8-2 ..... A Proud 5
29 0000 BALDARIEN J Parkes 8-2 ..... J Quinn (5) 12
30 0000 RICH BITCH D Chapman 8-0 ..... S P Griffiths (5) 13

7-2 Creetown Sally, 4-1 Sambe Lass, 5-1 Gaywood Girl, 6-1 Pendor Dancer, Polly Worth, 7-1 Galaxy Gala, 8-1 Our Mumsie, 10-1 others.

7.50 THEAKSTONS HANDICAP (£2,502: 1m 4f) (7)

1 0000 SHELLMAN K Stone 4-9-10 ..... C Dwyer 3
2 3-04 ROMIOSINI (USA) (C) N Tinkler 4-8-7 Kim Tinkler (7) 1
3 00-0 TOUCHEZ LE BOIS M Tompkins 5-8-3 ..... M Birkner 2
4 -000 WESTRAY (USA) R Hollinshead 4-8-2 ..... S Perks 6
6 0040 FOUR STAR THRUST (D) R Whitaker 4-8-0 K Bradshaw (5) 5
8 -000 GLENDERRY (B)(C) H Jones 4-8-2 ..... M Hills 4
9 2000 CROWFOOT'S COUTURE (B) J Parkes 5-7-7 J Quinn (5) 7

9-4 Romiosini, 5-2 Four Star Thrust, 5-1 Glenderry, Westray, 8-1 Touchez Le Bois, 10-1 Shellman, 12-1 Crowfoot's Couture.

8.20 BAYER U K DORIN STAKES (2-y-o: £1,788: 5f) (6)

2 221 MISS SHEGAS (D) J Berry 9-4 ..... M Fry 6
3 1021 PASHMINA (D) T Fairhurst 9-4 ..... C Coates (5) 4
7 0 JOE SUGDEN R Whitaker 9-4 ..... K Bradshaw (5) 2
9 OLD EROS R J Williams 8-6 ..... R Cochrane 5
11 02 STELBY O Brennan 8-6 ..... — 3
13 030 SILVERS ERA (BF) N Callaghan 8-3 ..... G Duffield 1

7-4 Stelby, 9-4 Miss Shegas, 5-1 Pashmina, 6-1 Silvers Era, 8-1 Old Eros, 10-1 Joe Sugden.

8.50 JENNIFER BROWNING HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2,652: 1m) (20)

7 000- BLACK BANK M W Easterby 9-7 ..... K Hodgson 12
8 01-0 LUNAR SHAMAL-GAL (BF) G Pritchard-Gordon 9-6 A Murray 17
9 413 NATIVE HABITAT M Jarvis 9-5 ..... T Lucas 14
10 2014 MR KEWBILL (D) M Tompkins 9-5 ..... M Birkner 19
11 0223 STANFORD VALE C Nelson 9-3 ..... F Johnson 11
12 00-0 COLONIAL KING J Etherington 8-9 ..... M Wood 13
14 -000 TOWER FAME E Eldin 9-1 ..... A Mackay 3
15 1-00 ARABIAN BLUES M Usher 9-1 ..... NON-RUNNER 4
16 00-0 COVER INN M Camacho 9-0 ..... N Connorton 2
17 00-2 TABLE-TURNING J W Watts 9-0 ..... T Ives 1
18 00-0 BAUGHTREES (B) P Walwyn 9-0 ..... N Howe 5
19 0-02 AFFAITATI (GER) E Eldin 8-13 ..... M Bancroft 20
20 000- HAYWAIN G Hills 8-13 ..... M Hills 16
24 40-0 BALMERINO Denys Smith 8-12 ..... D Nicholls 15
25 4000 UPTOWN RANGER G M Moore 8-11 ..... N Carlisle 7
26 0-20 JENNIER BROWNING T Barron 8-10 ..... R Cochrane 18
28 0000 BRADBURY HALL K Stone 8-6 ..... G Brown 8
31 4-00 WHIRLING WORDS P Makin 8-6 ..... S Perks 6
34 0-00 BOLD ARCHER M Fetherston-Godley 8-5 ..... G Duffield 9
35 -000 KATIE SKIDDES R Hollinshead 8-0 ..... A Culhane (7) 10

9-2 Lunar Shamal-Gal, 5-1 Native Habitat, Stanford Vale, 11-2 Jenifer Browning, 8-1 Table Turning, 9-1 Affaitati, Balmerino, Mr Kewbill, 10-1 others.

9.20 ALLTON GROUP STAKES (£2,205: 1m 2f) (15)

2 0/ BUSTED FLAVOUR W Jarvis 5-9-3 ..... R Cochrane 8
4 0-00 DARK CYGNET Denys Smith 4-9-3 ..... L Charnock 1
5 0-00 FOREVER TIMGO L Lightbown 4-9-3 ..... G Duffield 7
7 0 BELS ANGEL R Hollinshead 4-9-0 ..... S Perks 4
9 000- PENNILESS DANCER T Kersey 7-8-0 ..... J Scally (7) 8
11 0-24 TOSARA H Candy 4-9-0 ..... R Curant 14
14 2-12 GLOWING PROMISE B Hills 3-8-5 ..... M Hills 5
16 MIRACLE BILL D Dale 3-8-3 ..... C Nutter 11
17 0-00 BOLLIN UNCLE M H Easterby 3-8-3 ..... M Birch 15
18 00 CHERRY LUSTRE J W Watts 3-8-3 ..... T Ives 10
19 .2 DAARKOM A Stewart 3-8-3 ..... M Roberts 12
20 000- HELEN BOY R Thompson 3-8-3 ..... R P Elliott 3
23 0-00 MORCOOL R Nicholls 3-8-3 ..... N Howe 9
24 0- W SEAFIELD M Rettan 3-8-3 ..... G French 2
25 -000 MABEL ALICE P Felgate 3-8-0 ..... A Mackay 13

4-6 Daarkom, 5-2 Glowing Promise, 6-1 Tosara, 10-1 Cherry Lustre, 12-1 Bels Angel, 16-1 others.

CARLISLE

Going: good to soft
Draw: high numbers best

2.15 WASTWATER MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o: £1,154: 5f) (12 runners)

1 00 BEJANT SKITE C Parker 9-0 ..... J Mullins 1
2 0- DOCKIN HILL M W Easterby 9-0 ..... K Hodgson 3
9 0 SEABURY M Britain 9-0 ..... K Darley 12
11 4 SKY CAT J Wilson 9-0 ..... Julia Bowker (7) 11
12 00 STAR PLAY (B) K Stone 9-0 ..... C Dwyer 8
13 44 TAKE A HINT M Featherstone-Godley 9-0 ..... G Duffield 7
14 0 TALIESIN R Hollinshead 9-0 ..... S Perks 9
15 032 WENSLEYDALEWARRIOR G M Moore 9-0 N Crowther 6
17 ANNIE NOONAN N Tinkler 8-11 ..... Kim Tinkler (7) 5
19 GOLDENDOUBLEYOU T D Barron 8-11 ..... R Carlisle 2
20 0 KATIE SAYS J Etherington 8-11 ..... M Wood 10
25 MULTI SPIRAL J Kettlewell 8-11 ..... R Vickers (7) 4

13-8 Sky Cat, 5-2 Wensleydalewarrior, 5-1 Katie Says, 6-1 Star Play, 10-1 Take A Hint, 16-1 others.

Carlisle selections

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2.15 Take A Hint. 2.45 Bingo Queen. 3.15 Little Newington. 3.45 La Jambalaya. 4.15 Chinoiserie. 4.45 The Mississippian.

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3.45 Teed Bore. 4.15 Chinoiserie.

2.45 BUTTERMERE SELLING STAKES (2-y-o: £805: 5f) (7)

2 0004 BOOTHAM LAD M Britain 8-11 ..... K Darley 4
3 HIGHLAND CAPTAIN R Hollinshead 8-11 ..... S Perks 2
5 000 ROYAL TREATY N Tinkler 8-11 ..... J H Beeny (5) 1
6 4 RUN TO WORK G M Moore 8-11 ..... D Casey (7) 5
7 2022 BINGO QUEEN (BF) J Berry 8-8 ..... M Fry 7
11 000 MILLIE DUFFER J Kettlewell 8-8 ..... R Vickers (7) 6
13 RIMOVE N Chamberlain 8-8 ..... D Nicholls 3

3-1 Bingo Queen, 11-4 Royal Treaty, 4-1 Run To Work, 11-2 Bootham Lad, 8-1 Millie Duffer, 10-1 Highland Captain, Rimove.

3.15 LOWESWATER HANDICAP (£1,649: 6f)

6 0003 FLOWERS DAY (BD) B McMahon 4-9-6 G Duffield 6
10 3024 LOW FLYER G R Oldroyd 3-9-0 ..... K Hodgson 4
11 301- POKERFACES (USA)(B)(D) B McMahon 7-9-12 A Roper (7) 3
13 2000 HENRY'S PLACE (B) D W Chapman 4-8-10 D Nicholls 1
20 0-00 WILLIE GAN (D) Denys Smith 5-8-8 ..... M Fry 5
22 6121 LITTLE NEWMINGTON (B)(C-D) N Bycroft 3-8-13 (7ex) M Richardson (7) 2

9-4 Low Flyer, 100-30 Little Newington, 4-1 Flowers Day, 5-1 Pokerfaces, 6-1 Henry's Place, 10-1 Willie Gan.

3.45 BASSENTHWAITE HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,861: 1m 1f 80yd) (9)

9 000- PINK SENSATION Mrs G Rowley 9-7 D Leadbitter (5) 2
11 04-0 MEGAN'S MOVE J M Jefferson 9-7 ..... A Shoults (5) 9
12 40-0 LA JAMBALAYA P J Makin 9-4 ..... — 4
13 2043 TEED BORE W J Musson 9-3 ..... M Wigham 1
14 00-4 MASTER LAMB Miss S Hall 9-2 ..... K Hodgson 8
19 3004 NOT A PROBLEM Denys Smith 8-11 ..... M Fry 6
20 000- DOON VENTURE J Etherington 8-9 ..... M Wood 7
21 0-00 BOLD ANSWER W Bentley 8-5 ..... K Darley 5
23 -032 MY CUP OF TEA P Haslam 8-3 ..... G French 3

7-2 Not A Problem, 4-1 La Jambalaya, 9-2 Teed Bore, 5-1 My Cup of Tea, 8-1 Doon Venture, 10-1 Master Lamb, 16-1 Megan's Move, 20-1 Bold Answer, 25-1 Pink Sensation.

4.15 ENNERDALE WATER MAIDEN STAKES (3-y-o: £1,150: 1m 1f 80yd) (11)

6 22-0 CHINOISERIE (USA) L Cumani 9-0 ..... P Hamblett 8
9 00-0 COURT RULER Denys Smith 9-0 ..... M Fry 9
10 0-00 DEAFENING (USA) P Kelleway 9-0 Guy Kelleway (5) 1
12 0- FRAME OF POWER Jimmy Fitzgerald 9-0 ..... A Murray 5
16 0 LUCKY BLAKE C Thornton 9-0 ..... J Bleasdale 2
20 0-00 SAXELBYE PARK P S Felgate 9-0 ..... S Perks 11
22 00-0 SON OF ABSALOM C W Thornton 9-0 ..... M Wood 7
24 4 ALICE PARRY J Douglas-Home 8-11 ..... M Wigham 3
25 00- COPLEYS WALK Miss S Hall 8-11 ..... K Hodgson 4
26 0- HOME RULE (B) I A Balding 8-11 ..... J Mercer 10
29 RIVA RENALD S G Norton 8-11 ..... G Duffield 6

11-8 Chinoiserie, 2-1 Home Rule, 9-2 Lucky Blake, 6-1 Alice Parry, 25-1 Deafening, 33-1 others.

4.45 CRUMMOCK WATER HANDICAP (£11,808: 1m 4f) (10)

1 406- TREASURE HUNTER (D) W J Pearce 7-10-0 M Hindley (3) 7
2 1414 MERINGI (D)(BF) N Tinkler 5-9-4 (4ex) Kim Tinkler (7) 3
4 21-0 LAKINO Jimmy Fitzgerald 4-9-1 ..... A Murray 8
5 5-00 COUNTRY JIM BY C Tinkler 4-8-11 ..... G Duffield 1
11 00-0 RAMILIE (D) J Etherington 4-8-7 ..... M Wood 10
13 4340 AULD LANG SYNE J M Jefferson 7-8-4 A Shoults (5) 4
15 -420 THE MISSISSIPPIAN W Elsey 5-8-3 ..... J Carter (7) 2
16 0045 FRASASS D W Chapman 9-8-0 ..... S Webster 9
17 -000 SOUND WORK W Bentley 4-7-12 ..... K Darley 6
20 -000 MOSSBERRY FAIR W W Haigh 5-7-7 ..... M Fry 5

9-4 The Mississippian, 4-1 Meringi, 13-2 Mossberry Fair, 7-1 Frasass, 10-1 Lakino, Ramilie, 14-1 Auld Lang Syne, 20-1 Treasure Hunter, 33-1 Country Jim, Sound Work.

Salisbury results

Going: good

2.0 (7f) 1, SARAHA SHADOW (A Dicks, 33-1); 2, On Impulse (S Whitworth, 14-1); 3, Dotelaglious (Pat Eddery, 3-1 fav); 4, Haddon Lad (J Reid, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Superbrook, 12 Manor (6th), Ba Positive. 20 : First Orbit (5th), Chapelwood, 20 Dialling, Blue Fantasy, Keramsend, A'Exile, Sir Palais, Lady Radively, Miss Comedy, Miss Spool, The Batchelor, 25 Danedancer, 33 Sparkford Lad, Solstice Ball. 20 ran. 1l, ½l, 1l, 1½l, nk. D Tucker at Frome. Tote: £68.20; £8.40; £2.70, £1.40, £2.40; DF: winner or second with any other £4.70. CSF: £439.72. Tricast: £1,658.02. 1min 31.68sec. winner bought in for 1,500 gns.

2.30 (6f) 1, AL TRIS (M Wigham, 11-2); 2, Padre Pio (G Starkey, 11-2); 3, Ameghino (R Wernham, 6-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Tav Corncharm (4th), 11-2 Orbey Bay, 8 Zulu Knight (6th), 10 Galaxy Path, 12 Powder Blue, 14 Ferryman (5th), 20 Snap Decision, 40 Gallant Hope. 11 ran. nk, hd, ½l, ½l, sh hd. S Mellor at Lambourn. Tote: £6.50; £2.20, £2.20, £2.70. DF: £13.90. CSF: £35.07. Tricast: £175.44. 1min 16.58sec.

3.0 (1m) 1, SANTELLA MAC (G Starkey, 11-10 fav); 2, Meet The Greek (P Cook, 6-1); 3, Floating Asset (Paul Eddery, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 5 Ask Mama (6th), 7 Mudrik (5th), 15-2 Doff, 16 Full Of Life, 20-1 Polo Boy (4th), Arabian Blues. 9 ran. 5l, ½l, 1½l, ½l, 9l. G Harwood at Pulborough. Tote: £2.30; £1.40, £2.50, £2.40. DF: £10.20. CSF: £9.19. 1min 44.20sec.

3.30 (5f) 1, PROPENSITY (G Starkey, 4-7 fav); 2, D'Arcy (P Cook, 12-1); 3, Blue Tango (W Carson, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 6 Hold On Please (4th), 14 Bo'Babbity, 16 Semis (6th), 20 Lady Lucina (5th), Philgwyn, 33 Survival Kit, 50 Calco Solo, Dane Dolly, Eastern Princess, Flirting, Footbridge, Julia Springs, Lissahane, Minobee. 17 ran. NR: Run And Hide. 2l, ½l, ½l, 3l, 1l. G Harwood at Pulborough. Tote: £1.50; £1.20, £3.10, £1.70. DF: £10.30. CSF: £9.67. 1min 03.98sec.

4.0 (1m 4f) 1, ALMAARAD (B Thomson, 20-1); 2, Knights Legend (G Starkey, 5-1); 3, Sadeem (K Butler, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 5-2 fav Red Shoes (5th), 3 Sashindo, 9-2 Nordica, Mystery Circle, Magic Vision (6th), Mighty Flash, 20 Line of Cards (4th), 25 Sharpter Raxsaver, Ski Down, 33 Bella, Greek Swift, Ikraam, Jimbelou, Mr Matchmaker, Shakeah, Son of Spacider. 20 ran. 3l, 4l, 14l, nk, 5l. J Dunlop at Arundel. Tote: £24.10; £5.30, £4.10, £13.10. DF: £328.60. CSF: £125.48. 2min 35.91sec.

4.30 (1m 2f) 1, PULSINGH (P Waldron, 25-1); 2, Pearl Pet (T Quinn, 33-1); 3, Spanish Reel (B Thomson, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 7-4 fav Autumn Flutter, 4-1 White Mill (5th), 8-1 Golden Croft (6th), Welsh Medley (4th), 11-1 Pamela Hussey, 20 Winter Palace, We'll Meet Again, 33 Wizzard Art, Expletive, Shad Radbuck, Luckskin, Even Banker. 15 ran. 4l, ¾l, 3l, 1½l, nk. C Benstead at Epsom. Tote: £58.00; £9.50, £9.70, £1.40. DF: £232.10. CSF: £573.96. Tricast: £7,617.10. 2min 09.36sec.

Placepot: £748.90

Beverley

Going: good to firm

2.15 (7f 100yd) 1, Pleasure Island (G Duffield, 9-1); 2, Unex-Plained (5-1); 3, Monstrous (14-1); 4, Rafla Run (9-2 fav). 17 ran. NR: Flying Biddy, Sunley Spirit. sh hd, ¾l. G Pritchard-Gordon. Tote: £15.40; £2.30, £1.60, £7.70, £1.10. DF: £204.30. CSF: £69.13. Tricast: £812.84.

2.45 (5f) 1, Princess Singh (R Cochrane, 7-4 fav); 2, Steely Blade (2-1); 3, Real Rustle (20-1). 11 ran. 2l, ¾l. T Barron. Tote: £3.10; £1.40, £1.90, £3.50. DF: £3.80. CSF: £8.98.

3.15 (5f) 1, Mister Majestic (R Cochrane, Evens fav); 2, Blackenham Bart (100-1); 3, Fountains Choice (50-1). 6 ran. 8l, nk. R Williams. Tote: £1.80; £2.50, £27.50. DF: £36.80. CSF: £32.91.

3.45 (1m 4f) 1, Don Raul (G Duffield, 9-2); 2, Mr Lion (5-1); 3, Dellwood Renown (4-1 fav). 13 ran. sh hd, 2½l. D Morley. Tote: £4.80; £2.30, £2.40, £1.40. DF: £8.90. CSF: £33.25. Tricast: £113.55.

4.15 (1m 100yd) 1, Nestell (W Ryan, 6-1); 2, Timberwood (5-1); 3, Master Thomas (4-7 fav). 13 ran. 3l, sh hd. H Cecil, Newmarket. Tote: £5.40; £2.70, £1.30, £1.30. DF: £15.80. CSF: £39.09.

4.45 (1m 2f) 1, Magic Slipper (W Ryan, 7-4); 2, Exceptional Beauty (6-4 fav); 3, No Doubtet (10-1). 18 ran. 3l, sh hd. H Cecil at Newmarket. Tote: £2.90; £1.30, £1.70, £2.10. DF: £2.80. CSF: £5.02.

5.10 (1m 100yd) 1, SHAFY (W R Swinburn, 2-5 fav); 2, Coccolute (13-2); 3, Fancy Pan (25-1). 13 ran. 1l, 10l. M Stoute. Tote: £1.10; £1.00, £1.70, £7.40. DF: £4.90. CSF: £4.40.

Placepot: £1.20

Monday night

Edinburgh

Going: good to firm

6.45 (5f) 1, Pergoda (R Vickers 8-4 fav); 2, Westness Bay (8-1); 3, Culminate (50-1). 8 ran. 2½l, 2l. I Vickers. Tote: £2.40; £1.10, £1.80, £2.00. DF: £12.80. CSF: £12.38.

7.15 (5f) 1, Brains (G Duffield, 8-1); 2, Domino Rose (6-4 jt-fav); 3, Swing Singer (6-4 jt-fav). 3l, hd. J Wilson. Tote: £7.40; £2.20, £1.20. DF: £9.20. CSF: £21.29. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

7.45 (1m 4f) 1, Commander Robert (J Brown, 11-2); 2, Golden Fancy (4-1 jt-fav); 3, Trojambol (4-1 jt-fav). Rustic Track 4-1 jt-fav. 8 ran. nk, 3l. J Hanson. Tote: £3.50; £2.40, £1.80, £1.40. DF: £13.80. CSF: £25.78.

8.15 (1m) 1, Tit Willow (S Keightley, 2-1 fav); 2, O K Island (9-2); 3, Eistedfodord (4-1). 9 ran. NR: Porto Green. 1l, ½l. S Wiles. Tote: £3.80; £1.90, £1.20, £1.10. DF: £3.50. CSF: £11.57.

8.45 (1m) 1, Adamstown (G Duffield, 5-4 fav); 2, Turtah (11-4); 3, Tamyas Princess (9-2). 10 ran. ½l, 4l. M Prescott. Tote: £2.30; £1.10, £1.10, £2.10. DF: £3.80. CSF: £6.34.

9.15 (7f) 1, Young Bruns (M Wood, 8-1); 2, The Mazzil (4-1); 3, Gods Law (3-1 fav); 4, Barnes Star (14-1). 16 ran. 2½l, sh hd. J Etherington. Tote: £11.40; £2.60, £3.30, £1.70, £3.50. DF: £35.50. CSF: £30.76. After a stewards' inquiry the result stood.

Placepot: £3.35

Profitable trip for Wilson

Julian Wilson, the BBC racing commentator, paid his first visit to Beverley for 15 years yesterday and saw his Pleasure Island, a 9-1 chance, snatch a short head victory over Unex-Plained in the Beverley Arms Handicap.

Pleasure Island is the first winner for Wilson since he set up the Seymour Bloodstock Agency, based in Ireland.

"The filly's dam has now died, and although I fancied her a bit, I was put off by stable reports," said Wilson. He added: "Pleasure Island should get a mile, but she will keep to this type of race."

Willie Ryan, who has his first Derby ride today on Faraway Dancer, was in good form at the meeting, landing a double for Henry Cecil on the newcomer Naatell and Magic Slipper.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS: Oaks Stakes, Epsom: Northern Premier, Prospect Tora. Hardwicke Stakes, Ascot: Cosmona, Baby Turk, Damister, Kings Stand Stakes, Ascot: So Directed, Powder Keg, Orojove. All engagements (dead): Leather Stocking, Miss Willie, Rathcolman Lass, Berkside, Blue Jolie, Josmo4, Silver Wind, Rublmay, Fifty Dollars More, Keep It Dark, Royal Potion, Erica's General, Courtiers Way, Devils Pay.

Power play: Martina Navratilova on her way to victory against Kathy Rinaldi in Paris (Photograph: Tommy Hindley)

GOLF

Banke in control of conditions

By John Hennessy

Dana Banke, the leading qualifier for the Amateur championship at Royal Dornoch last year, promised to do so again yesterday. With a quarter of the field still out on the two courses, the Californian, aged 24, led by two strokes from a young Scot, Jim Milligan, with two rounds of 72. Peter McEvoy, twice a previous winner, shared third place on 145 with two other players.

All five would hope to be among the eight top players seeded for the match-play stage starting today. Under a new format only the first eight in the qualifying would be taking their appropriate positions in the draw. For the remainder the automatic draw was scrapped and their names would fall out of a hat as fortune and busy fingers would dictate. Theoretically, it should lead to some interesting matches today.

On a grey, cold morning, with a fierce wind to add to the misery, Banke seemed impervious to the conditions at St Annes, as perhaps befits a student of psychology geared to "dealing with any adversity", and his sturdy frame (he is only 5ft 7in and weighs 12st) never gave a hint of faltering composure.

Even a six at the long fifth left him totally unruffled, outwardly at least, and he channelled such irritation as he may have felt into two big woods over the back of the 520-yard sixth. From there he made a marvellously controlled little pitch that only microscopically disobeyed his command to "go in".

St Annes seemed to be playing harder yesterday than Royal Lytham, where the rest of the action takes place this week, and Banke's 71 there yesterday may perhaps have been even more praiseworthy than his similar score at Lytham the day before.

As for Milligan, even the Scottish camp followers have their doubts about his staying power. In the last year or two he has been runner-up 10 times in important competitions and has yet to register a victory. "This week," he said yesterday, "may be the breakthrough."

He is strong enough and long enough to master any course but his putter can behave erratically. Three of his four birdies sprang from long putts, smoothly holed, but elsewhere he took three putts on two occasions and missed from four feet for his par four at the 17th. Sadly, he drove into a bunker at the last.

Whether or not the breakthrough comes this time he is liable to be a dangerous match-play opponent for players of greater prestige.

LEADING SCORES: 142: D V Banks (US), 71, 71. 144: J W Milligan (Barassie), 73, 71. 145: P McEvoy (Copt Heath), 71, 74; P Price (Pontypridd) 72, 73; N Weeks (US), 72, 73. 146: D G Carrick (Douglas Park), 70, 76; C S Montgomerie (Royal Troon), 74, 72. 147: S M Bottomley (Shipley), 71, 76; P Girvan (Prestwick St Nicholas), 74, 73; L Lassalle (France), 78, 69. 148: A Rogers (Ealing), 75, 73; G Joyner (Australia), 71, 77; J G S Robinson (Woodhall Spa), 73, 75; G J Stephens (NZ), 74, 74; A Robertson (Seaton Carew) 73, 75; R Kaplan (SA), 72, 76; G Wilson (Ramsey), 73, 75. 149: K H Williams (N Wales), 77, 72; G P Wolstenholme (Leicestershire), 73, 76; P M Mayo (Newport), 72, 77; S P Jones (Cardiff), 73, 76; B Shields (Bathgate) 73, 76; R N Roderick (Pontardawe), 75, 74.

CRICKET

Derbyshire submit to seam and spin

By Peter Ball

DERBY: Essex (20pts) bt Derbyshire (3) by 116 runs.

After further delays for rain and some necessary contrivance by the captains, Derbyshire surrendered meekly against the combination of Lever and Childs to give Essex their second successive championship victory.

They will rarely have an easier one, bowling Derbyshire out in under four hours on a wicket which gave all the bowlers some help, but was by no means unplayable.

A declaration and a forfeiture left Derbyshire to score 257 in a minimum of 76 overs when play began at 1.10. If it was not an easy target in the conditions, it was one which a confident batting side would have regarded as attainable.

Derbyshire, however, are not a confident side at the moment, and with Fletcher resuming the Essex captaincy in the absence of Gooch, who had left to join his wife with twins expected imminently, their uncertainties were ruthlessly exploited. Lever, who took five for 32, Foster, who rued some dropped catches, and Childs maintained the pressure relentlessly.

Any faint hope that Derbyshire would make some fist of it lasted perhaps 11 overs, the time it took Essex to remove Barnett, who had shown some intent.

After one escape Barnett was bowled by Childs as Fletcher turned to spin from one end, alternating his seam bowlers at the other and the innings ground promptly to a halt. Anderson and Hill dropped anchor, Hill showing his full repertoire of obdurate, defensive prods.

That approach suggested they had not assessed the situation correctly, but with the help of dropped catches, the pair survived until Lever returned to rip the innings apart, swinging and seaming the ball to take four for 10 in 33 deliveries.

Anderson was the first to go after a stay of 30 overs. Wright and Morris, who might have brought much needed aggression to the proceedings, followed promptly as Fletcher at mid-off and Hardie at short-leg held on to excellent catches. Hill's sojourn ended as he prodded once again, this time to give East his second of three straightforward chances, and by tea Derbyshire's cause looked lost.

That view was confirmed immediately afterwards as East removed Roberts, the one remaining batsman, with a smart legside stumping. The spin of Childs and finally Acfield completed a simple demolition, even though Finney resisted with a determination not always shown by his predecessors.

ESSEX: First innings 300 for 7 dec (A R Border 110, K W R Fletcher 53, N A Foster 53 not out).

DERBYSHIRE: First innings

*K J Barnett not out	26
I S Anderson not out	16
Extras (b 1, w 1)	2
Total (no wkt dec, 19 overs)	44

BOWLING: Lever 7-2-13-0; Foster 5-2-19-0; Childs 4-1-7-0; Acfield 3-1-4-0.

Second innings

*K J Barnett b Childs	20
I S Anderson c East b Lever	25
A Hill c East b Lever	31
J G Wright c Fletcher b Lever	4
J E Morris c Hardie b Lever	0
†B Roberts st East b Childs	17
R Sharma c Border b Lever	1
R J Finney not out	29
C F B P Rudd c East b Childs	1
L J Wood c Fletcher b Childs	5
O H Mortensen lbw b Acfield	0
Extras (lb 7)	7
Total	140

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-30, 2-72, 3-76, 4-76, 5-87, 6-105, 7-105, 8-114, 9-134, 10-140.

BOWLING: Lever 17-9-32-5; Foster 17-6-41-0; Childs 22-10-36-4; Pringle 3-1-10-0; Acfield 9.2-3-14-1.

Umpires: D J Constant and J A Jameson.

Lancashire fail by five runs

By Peter Marson

Lancashire came desperately close to beating Warwickshire in an exciting finish at Old Trafford yesterday. Set to make 270 to win in 51 overs, Mendis, Chadwick and Fairbrother made the running as Lancashire went full tilt towards a third victory, which would have given them a rewarding lead of 32 points at the head of the Britannic Assurance county championship. Alas, Lancashire failed by five runs, despite a magnificent effort by Maynard, Simmons and, lastly, Allott.

It had rained during the morning, so that it was 2.0 before Warwickshire could begin again at 60 for two, Kallicharran, 28, Amiss, 22. At 120 for four, of which Asif Din made 40 not out, Gifford declared, leaving Lancashire to aim at a target between five and six an over.

Gloucestershire's declaration overnight at 153 for six meant that when eventually Leicestershire started out in their second innings at 2.20 it was with a lead of 86. Graveney's opening batsmen became opening bowlers and Potter and Cobb gleefully helped themselves to 149 runs from 21 overs before Gower responded by making his challenge. In this Gloucestershire were required to make 236 runs to win off 32 overs. That they got there to win by six wickets, enabling them to move into second place in the table, was a praiseworthy effort, too, and in this they could thank three of four front-line batsmen and Lawrence.

At Horsham the match between Sussex and Somerset was abandoned without a ball being bowled, a championship first of doubtful merit for this charming little ground. A similar fate befell another six counties in matches at the Oval, Southampton and Tunbridge Wells.

Middlesex, the champions, came away from their match with Surrey with a paltry five points and go to New Road to meet Worcestershire today with a much weakened side under Radley's captaincy. With Clarke away over the next fortnight having his ailing right leg put right, Gray, who replaces him, is sure to make the most of his opportunity when he reappears in Surrey's colours against Leicestershire at Hinckley

Appeal date for Botham

Ian Botham is likely to have his appeal against a two-month ban from cricket heard by the Cricket Council at Lord's a week tomorrow.

When Botham was suspended last Thursday by the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) following drug-taking revelations, his solicitor, Alan Herd, gave notice that he would appeal to the sport's highest authority — the Cricket Council's appeals committee.

Donald Carr, secretary of the TCCB, said yesterday: "We have pencilled in June 12 but it does depend on one or two members of the committee confirming their availability."

The appeals committee will consist of an independent chairman — a Queen's Counsel — and representatives from the TCCB, MCC, the National Cricket Association and the Cricketers' Association. They have the power to confirm, reduce or increase Botham's ban from all major cricket, which forces him to miss four Test matches and four one-day internationals.

Because of the early date set for his appeal, Botham may not seek an injunction in the High Court to plead restraint of trade. The management committee of Botham's county club, Somerset, meet today and are expected to discuss the ban.

OTHER SCOREBOARDS

Lancs v Warwicks

AT OLD TRAFFORD

Lancashire (5pts) drew with Warwickshire (5).

WARWICKSHIRE: First innings 301 for 5 dec (G W Humpage 130, Asif Din 69 not out; D J Makinson 4 for 69).

Second innings

T A Lloyd c Maynard b Allott	0
P A Smith c Maynard b Allott	9
A I Kallicharran c Maynard b Fowler	28
D L Amiss not out	37
G W Humpage b Fowler	0
Asif Din not out	40
Extras (b 4, w 1, nb 1)	6
Total (4 wkts dec)	120

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-11, 3-60, 4-60.

BOWLING: Allott 5-1-13-2; Makinson 5-1-14-0; Fairbrother 2-1-2-0; Simmons 2-1-2-0; Chadwick 5-0-51-0; Fowler 4-0-34-2.

LANCASHIRE: First innings 152 for 4 dec (M R Chadwick 61).

Second innings

G Fowler b Parsons	8
G D Mendis c Smith b Small	25
M R Chadwick c Humpage b Smith	47
N H Fairbrother c Amiss b Smith	36
J Abrahams c Humpage b Smith	0
C Maynard b Small	64
M Watkinson b Gifford	0
J Simmons c Smith b Small	44
P J W Allott not out	22
D J Makinson not out	2
Extras (b 4, lb 11, nb 2)	17
Total (8 wkts, 53 overs)	265

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-20, 2-52, 3-118, 4-118, 5-134, 6-135, 7-227, 8-248.

BOWLING: Small 14-1-60-3; Parsons 5-0-28-1; Gifford 18-1-74-1; Munton 7-2-32-0; Smith 8-0-36-3; Asif Din 3-0-20-0.

Umpires: J H Harris and R Palmer.

No play yesterday

SOUTHAMPTON: Nottinghamshire 182 (M D Marshall 5 for 36); Hampshire 80 for 5 dec (BOWLING: Hadlee 11-7-14-1; Pick 6-1-37-1; Cooper 8-3-18-1; Rice 6-3-10-2). Bonus points: Hampshire 4, Nottinghamshire 8.

TUNBRIDGE WELLS: Kent 208 for 2 (S G Hinks 88, C J Tavaré 75 not out. BOWLING: Radford 24-8

FOOTBALL: MEXICO WARNED OVER POOR QUALITY OF SERVICE IN TRANSMISSIONS

European TV companies may seek Cup rights refund

From John Carlin, Mexico City

In the midst of what they call "the biggest disaster in the history of sports broadcasting", the European television companies warned FIFA officials here yesterday that immediate measures must be taken to improve the "catastrophic" World Cup service provided so far by Mexican TV.

The chief representative in Mexico of the European Broadcasting Union (EBU), Jarle Hoeysaeter, of Norway, said the TV companies would seek a refund on the 49 million Swiss francs they paid FIFA for the World Cup rights unless they made good on their contract and delivered what they promised in terms of quality transmissions.

"It is not easy to work here. It is difficult. We are paying a lot of money and it is all going to hell," Hoeysaeter said. Hoeysaeter, speaking on behalf of western and eastern European TV organizations, did not rule out a boycott of World Cup coverage but thought it unlikely at the moment.

The central problem has been sound transmission. The second day of the World Cup was described by EBU officials as "a catastrophe". For the Spain v Brazil and France v Canada games, only three organizations in Europe were able to broadcast live commentaries straight from the stadium.

The Brazilian TV company, Bandeirantes, were still fuming yesterday morning. They approached the Brazilian government in the middle of the match on Sunday, asking them to pressure the Mexican government to take action. "Brazil will support the EBU in every complaint," an indignant Bandeirantes producer said.

The Canadian Broadcasting Corporation said the confusion was such that they were receiving West German television commentary during Canada's 1-0 defeat by France. Eventually, distraught at the abysmal transmission they were providing of their country's finest hour in football, Canadian commentators had to report on the game via an ordinary telephone line.

The Mexican TV company, Televisa, a vast private consortium, has been singled out as the guilty party.

The head of the World Cup organizing committee, Guillermo Cañedo, has joyfully declared this would be "the Communications World Cup". Cañedo happens also to be a vice-president both of Televisa and of FIFA.

Paraguay pair fit

Mexico City (Reuter) — Paraguay's two key men, Julio César Romero and Roberto Cabanas, have been pronounced fit for their country's opening game against Iraq today.

Both had niggling leg injuries but came through a rigorous training session at the squad's practice ground near the Aztec Stadium. Cabanas, a forward, and Romero, a skilful midfield player, have an almost telepathic understanding and are vital to the plans of the Paraguayan coach, Cayetano Re.

Re, who played in Paraguay's last appearance in the finals in 1958, said his team would be going for goals against Iraq. However, his job of building the team has been hindered by the number of exiles in his squad but he believes that his mainly young and talented side could spring a few surprises.

In Romero, aged 28, Paraguay have a player with the potential to leave a mark on the tournament. A star in the Brazilian side, Fluminense, after a spell with the New York Cosmos, he first linked up with with Cabanas, aged 24, who plays in Colombia, more than six years ago in the Paraguayan youth squad.

Romero said: "We are both in good shape and the altitude has not affected us because we spent 20 days in Bogotá. The team is coming good at the right time." But Romero, like Re, does not underestimate Iraq. He said: "They are fast and strong, their touch football is good and they will be difficult to beat."

Re said that the result of the Belgium-Mexico match would not influence his policy of attack against Iraq.

Close encounter: Lamris, of Morocco, keeps Buncol, of Poland, at bay in the tall grass at the Universitario stadium during the goalless draw in Monterrey (Photograph: Ian Stewart)

Entertainment takes a back seat in the bid for points

From Stuart Jones
Football Correspondent
Monterrey

The Press conference after the first goalless draw of the World Cup finals began with an acrid note on Monday. A Frenchman, who could afford to dispense with the need for diplomacy, asked Jose Faria, the manager of Morocco, if he thought it was fair that people should have paid money to watch that game.

Faria, a chain-smoking Brazilian, smiled. "We want to make the game beautiful," he said. "But you can't do that all the time and particularly when you are making your entrance in a tournament such as this. Sometimes you have to close the game up for your own protection."

He told the Frenchman that if he wanted "a beautiful game", he should have gone to see Hungary earlier in the day. He implied that there is a high price to be paid for a lack of caution since the Magyars collapsed astonishingly against the Soviet Union, lost 6-0 and will now do well to reach the second round.

Poland had more reason to be dissatisfied with a largely lifeless performance. The Moroccans said their European opponents seemed to be out of breath after only half an hour, although both sides found that running through the lengthy grass of the Universitario Stadium was more tiring than the relatively modest heat.

Antonio Maceda, Spain's central defender, is out of the World Cup through injury after playing in one match. The 6ft 3in Real Madrid player hurt his right knee in a 1-0 defeat by Brazil on Sunday, and the injury has been complicated by internal bleeding, the team doctor, Jorge Guillés, said.

The manager, Miguel Muñoz, said yesterday: "It is sad to lose a player of Maceda's quality. This is a setback both for me and the team."

Only after Urban had replaced Dziekanowski did the Poles look as though they were attacking with a sharp sword rather than a heavy hammer. It was Urban who stretched Ezaki, Morocco's goalkeeper who has conceded only one goal in nine matches in the competition so far, and closed by hitting a post. Anton Piechniczek, their manager, was not downhearted. "It is always hard to start off by playing the little team," he said. "They were more used to the conditions and many of my side were playing in the finals for the first time. It was obvious they felt the pressure."

The influence of Poland's older representatives, such as Boniek, Smolarek and Buncol, was largely lost amid their defensive timidity. Piechniczek admitted "we lacked cohesion and didn't play as well as we can," but he was disappointed merely that his players "didn't have the experience to know when to step in and finish them off".

Although he expects England and Portugal to beat the Moroccans, he refused to accept that Poland were in danger of not qualifying for the later stages.

POLAND: Y Mlynarczyk, M Ostrowski, R Wojcicki, S Majewski, W Matysik, D Kubicki, R Komornicki (sub: K Przybys), A Buncol, W Smolarek, Z Boniek, D Dziekanowski (sub: J Urban).
MOROCCO: B Ezaki, K Labd, A Lamris, M El Byaz, N Bouyahiaoui, A Dolmy, M El Hadaoui, A Bouderbala, A Krimau Merry, M Timoumi, M Merry.
Referee: J Buzan (Uruguay).

Switching on to a new deal

By John Goodbody

The Football League's weakened bargaining position and their need to attract new sponsors have resulted in an agreement worth only £6.2 million to televise matches over the next two seasons.

There will be live coverage, shared by BBC and ITV, of 14 League games per season, two Littlewoods Challenge Cup (formerly Milk Cup) semi-finals and the final, all to be played on Sundays. There will also be recordings of League and Littlewoods Cup matches.

In February 1985 the clubs rejected a four-year deal worth just over £19 million. But that was before the tragedies of Bradford and Brussels, falling attendances, the threat of a breakaway "super-league" and the recognition that recorded highlights of the domestic game were no longer an outstanding sporting attraction on television.

After 15 months of deadlock the League and television companies signed a £1.3 million deal in January which expired at the end of last season.

Further pressure has been put on the League by Canon's decision to end their sponsorship. The new deal will be the principal attraction for their potential successors.

A League spokesman said yesterday that they were negotiating with several companies. "They are serious contenders but there is some way to go," he said. "But in the last four weeks we have eliminated the threat of a breakaway super-league and now concluded the television agreement. Both those factors are of paramount importance as far as potential sponsors are concerned."

The agreement was signed after only a few meetings between the League and television companies, a striking contrast to the acrimony which kept football off the screens for much of last season.

John Bromley, the chairman of ITV sport, said: "What has been marvellous is that the League and television have conducted negotiations in a businesslike and sensible manner."

Moore takes over at Luton

Luton Town yesterday appointed John Moore, the coach, as their manager in succession to David Pleat, who has joined Tottenham Hotspur. Moore, aged 42, has coached at Luton for eight-years. One of Moore's first jobs will be to sort out the contracts of three players who are due to reach new deals with Luton this month: Les Sealey, Mitchell Thomas and Mal Donaghy, who is in Mexico with Northern Ireland. Pleat is believed to be interested in signing Donaghy for Tottenham.

Luton have nearly reached agreement with Thomas and have spoken to Donaghy by telephone.

ATHLETICS DIARY

Tiacoh may make his mark while Lewis takes it easy

From Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent
San Jose, California

The most unforgiving minute in modern athletics history has proved to be the one during the early evening of October 18, 1968, when Lee Evans set off to win 43.86sec in the 400 metres just after Bob Beamon jumped 8.90 metres at the Mexico Olympics. They are the longest-standing records in the sport.

Beamon's mark looks safe for the time being, since Carl Lewis, the only man capable of approaching it, maintained at the grand prix meeting here last Saturday that he was going to have "an easy year, as preparation for the world championships next year and the Olympic Games in 1988".

But many people believe that Gabriel Tiacoh, of the Ivory Coast, will threaten Evans's mark in the National Collegiate Championships on the very fast track at Indianapolis this weekend. Tiacoh, aged 22, the Olympic silver-medal winner, ran 44.32sec, the third fastest at sea level, two weeks ago. And since his college, Washington State University — better known for the Kenyan distance stars, Rono, Kimombwa and Kerir — does not have a relay team, Tiacoh will have the advantage over the defending champion, Roddie Haley (44.48sec this year), of having a rest day between his heat tomorrow and his final on Saturday.

Hammer miss

The grand prix got off to a more successful start than last year. And if the Russian athletes had turned up all 16 events would have qualified for points scoring. As it was, the discus did not qualify and the hammer was cancelled. It now seems that the US Embassy was partly responsible for the Russian athletes not getting their visas on time, according to one of the officials from Turner Broadcasting, the television company which helped organize the trip here in the build-up to their sponsorship of the Goodwill Games in Moscow this summer.

But the cancellation of the hammer saved further drugs innuendo. Shaun Pickering, the British hammer thrower at nearby Stanford University, echoes the anti-drug stance of his father, Ron, chairman of Haringey AC and a BBC commentator. The younger Pickering named one prominent American thrower who arranged a private dope test at the beginning of last week to see if he would be "clean" for the competition.

Unspeakable

Talking of television commentators, the WTBS broadcast of the grand prix meeting was so execrable as to make anyone wish for a Pickering, Coleman, Parry or even Jim Rosenthal. Bill Rodgers, the marathon runner, was brought in to do "colour" commentary, and hardly knew any of the track athletes. Dr Leroy Walker, a TAC official, was even worse, and the miler, Craig Masback, spent most of his time advertising a brand of running shoe and the Goodwill Games.

Ed Moses did not even turn up for the commentary, mirroring his lack of participation in US competition throughout his career. Moses is becoming as unpopular as Lewis among his fellow athletes over his reluctance to put his 109 400-metres hurdles victory streak on the line.

But Moses needs to compete somewhere in the next two weeks in order to qualify for the TAC championship, from which the first two athletes will be selected to go to the Goodwill Games. Most athletes will get $3,000 (about £1,970) from Turner Broadcasting to go to Moscow, but Moses and Lewis have signed contracts believed to be around $25,000 (about £16,400) to do television commentary as well.

Appetite found

Eamonn Coghlan, impressive winner of the 3,000 metres on Saturday, credits his "best form since I have won the world championship 5,000 metres in 1983" to a failed diet. Coghlan, in common with several British athletes, tried Robert Haas's Eating To Win.

Coghlan maintained that the diet gave him diarrhoea and spoiled his indoor season, during which he did not win a mile race after being unbeaten in six seasons. "It took the speed out of my legs, but it meant that I didn't kill myself on the indoor circuit." Coghlan rediscovered his speed within two weeks of going back to "an Irishman's seven-course meal — a six-pack of beer and potatoes".

O irony!

Driving down a sunny California freeway has to be the most appropriate place to listen to the Beach Boys and the Doors, and when the announcer at San Jose introduced "The Big O", we thought we were in for another rock 'n' roll treat. But no, it was not Roy Orbison, he of the dark glasses and falsetto. It was Brian Oldfield, he of the enormous girth and falsetto.

Oldfield personifies the schizophrenia of this sport, where athletes like Lewis, Moses, Sebastian Coe and Steve Ovett can earn a million dollars and still be adjudged amateur according to the IAAF. Oldfield turned professional a dozen years ago with the ITA, during which time he set what is still the world's most prodigious throw in the shot, 22.86 metres. Oldfield has been reinstated as an "amateur" and can compete in all but championship meetings.

Double trouble

Tommie Smith, another famous (or infamous, depending on your point of view) athlete from the Mexico Games, is in trouble again. Smith, who was banished from the 1968 Olympics for raising a gloved fist to black power, has been barred from coaching the Santa Monica College track team for one year for putting an ineligible student into competition. Smith said: "I think the college has handled it the right way. It was the wrong thing to do and I got caught."

Scotland line-up

Scotland have announced their athletics team to meet Ireland and Catalonia in Spain on Sunday.

MEN: 100m: J Henderson (Edinburgh AC), E Bunney (Edinburgh Southern). 200m: C Sharp (Shettleston), G McCallum (Edinburgh AC). 400m: M Johnston (Aberdeen AC), J Nicholl (Perth). 800m: T McKean (Motherwell), P Forbes (Edinburgh AC). 1,500m: A Callan (Springburn), A Currie (Dumbarton). 3,000m: J Robson (Edinburgh Southern), J Webster (Kent). 5,000m: C Robinson (Spango Valley), N Muir (Shettleston). 3,000m steeplechase: T Hanlon (Edinburgh Southern), R Charleston (Edinburgh AC). 100m hurdles: J Wallace (Newham), C MacDonald (Bolton). 400m hurdles: M Fulton (Sale), D McCutcheon (Liverpool). High jump: G Parsons (London AC), T Leighton (Inverness). Pole vault: A Leiper (Aldershott, D Hamilton (Edinburgh Southern). Long jump: K McKay (Pitreavie), M Fowler (Victoria Park). Triple jump: C Duncan (Edinburgh Southern), R McKay (Edinburgh AC). Shot: E Irvine (Edinburgh AC), A Syverson (Edinburgh Southern). Discus: G Patience (Inverness), D Morris (Pitreavie). Hammer: C Black (Edinburgh Southern), L Nisbet (Edinburgh Southern). Javelin: S Maxwell (Pitreavie), J Guthrie (Edinburgh Southern). Walk: G White (York), M Dunion (Anglia Striders). 4x100m relay (from): Henderson, Bunney, McCallum, Wallace, Macdonald, A McCuaig (Edinburgh AC). 4x400m relay (from): Nicholl, Johnston, McKean, Ford, Fulton, McCutcheon.

WOMEN: 100m and 200m: S Whittaker (McLarens Glasgow), J Neilson (Edinburgh). 400m: F Hargreaves (EWMSH), L MacDonald (Pitreavie). 800m: A Purvis (EWMSH), E McArthur (Pitreavie). 1,500m: M Robertson (EWMSH), K Hutchison (Lochgelly and District). 3,000m: E Lynch (Dundee), C Price (Dundee). 100m hurdles: A Girvan (Ayr Seaforth), G Rhind (Enfield). 400m hurdles: A Brown (EWMSH), M McBeath (Monklands Shettleston). High jump: J Bameson (Inverness), R Pinkerton (McLaren Glasgow AC). Long jump: L Campbell (EWMSH), R McLeod (McLarens Glasgow AC). Shot: M Anderson (Edinburgh AC), A Morris (Pitreavie). Discus: M Brenner, C Cameron (McLaren's Glasgow AC). Javelin: S Urquhart (EWMSH), J Barclay (Monklands Shettleston). Travelling reserves: J Booth (Central Region), K Hogg (EWMSH).

'Joint hosts'

Seoul (AP) — A leading South Korean sports official was quoted here as saying North Korea would be allowed to host some of the Asian Games this year and some of the 1988 Olympic Games if they participated in both events. The Sports Minister of South Korea, Park Seh-jik, was quoted in an interview with the English language monthly *Diplomacy*. He said such a concession of events to North Korea would be made "within the framework of the rules and regulations of OCA (Olympic Council of Asia) and IOC (International Olympic Committee)

MOTOR CYCLING

Victory is sweet for Reid

By Michael Scott

Brian Reid, of Ulster, completed the third successive Irish victory in this year's TT races yesterday when he won the Formula Two event at record speed — a race that was postponed a day, delayed for an hour and shortened by 75 miles because of fickle weather.

Victory was all the sweeter for Reid, aged 29, from Banbridge, because last year he twice retired while leading.

The English riders, John Weeden and Neil Tuxworth, were second and third, each reporting a trouble-free race in dry but windy conditions. The first three rode 350cc two-stroke Yamahas, with Ray Swann, also of England, fourth.

But there were problems for other top riders. Gene McDonnell, of Ireland, was leading on the first lap but crashed without serious injury in Ramsey while his compatriot, Robert Dunlop, younger brother to Monday's Formula One winner, Joey Dunlop, was taken by helicopter to Noble's Hospital in Douglas after crashing on the third lap while holding fourth place. He was reported conscious and out of danger, with chest injuries. Shortly before the start of the production TT yesterday, Joey, who was favourite to win, announced he would not be taking part.

RESULTS: Formula Two TT, four laps, 152 miles: 1, B Reid (Yamaha), 1hr 22min 31.4sec (109.72mph); 2, J Weeden (Yamaha), 1:22:44.8; 3, N Tuxworth (Yamaha), 1:23:49.2; 4, R Swann (Kawasaki), 1:24:09.4; 5, E Laycock (Yamaha), 1:24:26.8; 6, S Hislop (Yamaha), 1:25:49.2.

SWIMMING

Hardcastle missile is given triple warhead

Sarah Hardcastle was yesterday presented with the opportunity to launch a triple gold-medal attack at the Commonwealth Games next month. The England selectors have nominated the Southend youngster for the 400 and 800 metres freestyle and 400 metres individual medley after she had erased doubts about her fitness at the Amateur Swimming Association championships and Commonwealth trials over the weekend.

Miss Hardcastle, who will start as the favourite for both freestyle events, settled her selection for the medley by winning the ASA title in a personal record 4min 50.94sec — the second fastest in the Commonwealth this year. It was enough to convince selectors that she could handle three tough individual events, plus the 4 x 200 metres freestyle relay, in Edinburgh.

Miss Hardcastle, who seems to thrive on hard work, also wanted to compete in the sprint freestyle relay but declared herself satisfied with her selections after returning from a morning practice.

The race programme in Edinburgh works out kindly for the Olympic and European medalli winner. Miss Hardcastle faces two events on the opening day, the 400 metres medley and the 4 x 200 metres freestyle relay, then she will have a day's rest before tackling the 400 metres freestyle.

The heats for the 800 metres freestyle, where she is nearly 5sec faster than her nearest Commonwealth rival, will be on the fourth day, with the final the following day. Selectors have announced a 53-strong squad, including diving and synchronized teams.

TEAM: Men: 100m freestyle: R Lee (City of Cardiff), A Jameson (City of Liverpool), M. Foster (Millfield). 200m freestyle: K Boyd (South Tyneside), P Howe (Millfield), J Broughton (City of Leeds). 400m freestyle: Boyd, J Davey (Salford), D Stacey (City of Swansea). 1,500m freestyle: Stacey, G Donovan (Barking), S Willis (Beckenham). 100m backstroke: N Harper (Millfield), G Binfield (Salford), Davey. 200m backstroke: Binfield, Boyd, P Blake (Torquay Leander). 100m breaststroke: A Moorhouse (City of Leeds), P Shackley (Harrow and Wealdstone), N Gillingham (City of Birmingham). 200m breaststroke: Moorhouse, Gillingham, M Buswell (City of Leeds). 100m butterfly: Jameson, N Hodgson, (Wigan Wasps), Lee. 200m butterfly: Hodgson, S Poulter (Wigan Wasps), T Jones (Walsall). 200m individual medley: Davey, Binfield, D Rolley (Swansea University). 400m individual medley: Poulter, Davey, Binfield. 4 x 100m freestyle: Lee, Jamison, Foster, G Stewart (Harrow and Wealdstone). 4 x 200m freestyle: Boyd, P Howe (Millfield), Broughton, Davey. 4 x 100m medley: To be selected. Women: 100m freestyle: N Fibbens (Beckenham), A Cripps (Wigan Wasps), D Gore (Fleetwood). 200m freestyle: Cripps, K Mellor (Norwich Penguins), Z Long (Kelly College). 400m freestyle: S Hardcastle (Southend), Mellor, Cripps. 800m freestyle: Hardcastle, G Stanley (Stockport), Mellor. 100m backstroke: K Read (Stockport), S Hindmarch (Wigan Wasps), L White (City of Leeds). 200m backstroke: Read, White, Hindmarch. 100m breaststroke: S Brownsdon (Wigan Wasps), L Burt (Bracknell), J Wood (Nova Centurion). 200m breaststroke: Brownsdon, Stanley, N Herbert (Beckenham). 100m butterfly: C Cooper (Potters Bar), C Foot (Millfield), S Purvis (Stockton). 200m butterfly: H Bewley (Millfield), Purvis, M O'Toole (Wigan Wasps). 200m individual medley: Z Long, Wood, Purvis. 400m individual medley: Hardcastle, Stanley, Read. 4 x 100m freestyle: To be selected. 4 x 200m freestyle: Hardcastle, Mellor, Cripps, Long. 4 x 100m medley: To be selected.

DIVING: Men: Springboard and Highboard: J Arbon (Highgate), J Rosoe (Highgate), N Stanton (Beaumont). Women: Springboard: L Brace (The Ladies DC), A Childs (Southend), C Roscoe (The Ladies DC). Highboard: Brace, Roscoe, R Spinks (The Ladies).

SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING: Solo: A Dodd (Bristol Central). Duet: Dodd and N Shearn (Bristol Central).

EQUESTRIANISM

£45,000 contract for Todd

By Jenny MacArthur

Mark Todd, New Zealand's Olympic individual gold medal winner has entered a three-year sponsorship contract with Merrill Lynch Europe Ltd, worth £45,000 in the first year. The sponsorship, one of the largest in three-day eventing, will not endanger Todd's amateur status.

Stanislas Yassukovich, the chairman of the American-owned company and himself a keen horseman — he plays polo and hunts with the VWH — said it was a "lucky accident" that the company heard Todd's former contract with Woolmest International Ltd was coming to an end just when Merrill Lynch were thinking of becoming more involved in sport sponsorship.

Todd, who will remain at Cholderton in Wiltshire until the 1988 South Korea Olympics, has a strong team of horses. At the head is the outstanding Charisma IV, winner of the Olympic gold medal, twice the runner-up at Badminton and tenth at the world championships in Australia last month.

If Charisma, who will be 16 in 1988, is too old for the Olympics, Todd has three enviable back-up horses in Mrs Nyda Prenn's Any Chance, fifth at this year's Badminton, the 10-year-old Larking About and Mr and Mrs Michael Weinan's Michaelmas Day, a highly promising eight-year-old who won last year's Rotherfield three day event and completed at Badminton this year.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Lowe is new coach at high-flying Wigan

By Keith Macklin

Wigan yesterday confirmed the rumour that has swept through Rugby League during the past few weeks by announcing that their new coach will be the New Zealand international coach, Graham Lowe.

In signing Lowe, Wigan will part company with their joint coaches, Colin Clarke and Alan McInnes, a remarkable move when it is considered the pair have steered Wigan to the Challenge Cup, the John Player Trophy and the Lancashire Cup during the last year.

Wigan have pursued Lowe for several months. He made his reputation as the coach who led New Zealand to victory over the hitherto all-conquering Australians at Brisbane, and last winter he was coach of the Kiwi touring side who shared the three-match international series with Great Britain.

Ironically, Lowe is an Australian who was imported by New Zealand to sharpen their international side when the game in New Zealand was in the doldrums. He will take over his duties at Central Park in August.

The Wigan vice-chairman, Maurice Lindsay, said the decision to part company with Clarke and McInnes had been tough to make, but efforts to absorb them into the coaching structure under Lowe would not be workable.

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

NORTH AMERICA: National League: Pittsburgh Pirates 9, Atlanta Braves 2; New York Mets 11, San Diego Padres 2; Chicago Cubs 8, Cincinnati Reds 8; Philadelphia Phillies 13, Los Angeles Dodgers 2; St Louis Cardinals 9 Houston Astros 2. American League: Texas Rangers 1, Chicago White Sox 0; Toronto Blue Jays 3, Minnesota Twins 1; Boston Red Sox 3, Cleveland Indians 1; Milwaukee Brewers 7, Kansas City Royals 2; California Angels 6, New York Yankees 7; Oakland Athletics 7, Detroit Tigers 1.

CRICKET

CRICKETER CUP: First Round: *Eton Ramblers 206-8; Old Ampleforthians 131-5 (Eton won on FSR). *Harrow Wanderers 181-8; Repton Pilgrims 182-7. *Lancing Rovers 145; St Edward's Martyrs 133. *Old Alleynians 128-8; Old Tonbridgians 129-3. Old Blundellians 121-9; *Oundle Rovers 123-2. *Old Brightonians 234-4; R Piper 102 not; Haileybury Hermits 156. *Old Cheltonians 174-6; Uppingham Rovers 172. *Old Citizens 173-7; Stowe Templars 172-9. Old Malvernians 208-8; *OMT 151-9. *Old Wellingtonians 215-8; Bradfield Wells 147. *Old Westminsters 151-8; Felsted Robins 152-7. Old Whitgiftians 178; *Marlborough Blues 179-8. *Old Wykehamists 125-5; Old Cheltonians 119-9. *Bradley Rangers 195-8; Charterhouse Friars 196-4. Rugby Meteors 191-6; *Shrewsbury Saracens 192-5. *Sherborne Pilgrims 196-8; Downside Wanderers 199-3.
* Denotes home team

MINOR COUNTIES: Nantwich: Shropshire 146 for 8 dec (W Wood 4 for 38) and 208 for 4 dec; Cheshire 137 for 9 dec (J A Smith 5 for 60) and 111 for 7.
MAIN DAWES TROPHY: Worcester: Glamorgan 187 for 8; Worcestershire 187 for 7. Worcestershire won by taking greater number of wickets.

GOLF

BLAIRGOWRIE: Martini national club better ball championship: Regional final: 1, Nellie and A Davidson (Carterdown) 64. 2, G Hyslop and I Smith (Grange and Dundee) 66. 3, Hyde and C Beveridge (Dollar) 68.
HANKLEY COMMON: Hennessey Cognac pro-am tournament: 1, P Burkes and S Hendry (Barton-on-Sea) 64. 2, C Daloy and R Newman (Coombe Hill) 64. 3, P Klepacz and P Badger (Rowlands Castle) 65.

SPEEDWAY

LEAGUE CUP: Reading 40 (J Davis 11, M Sharpe 8, J Andersson 8), Ipswich 38 (J Doncaster 11, R Fuller 9); Wolves 38 (S Ermolenko 11, J Eskildsen 11), Bradford 40 (N Evitts 12, S Wigg 11). National League: Exeter 36 (B Critchley 8, C Cook 8), Peterborough 42 (K Hawkins 14, N Flatman 12). Tyne Team Trophy: Second leg: Newcastle 43 (D Blackburn 11, D Parks 11), Middlesbrough 34 (M Dixon 11, M Courtney 9). Newcastle win on agg 82-73.
KING'S LYNN: European under-21 championship: Qualifying rounds: 1, O Hansen, 12; 2, A Silver, 12; 3, S Davies, 11; 4, D Cheshire, 11.

Heading north

Veronique Marot, who has run the swiftest marathon by a British woman, heads a strong field in the Pearl Assurance Great North Run on Tyneside on Sunday. Other participants include Anne Ford and Paula Fudge, from Hounslow, and Sarah Rowell, of Dartford.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

CRICKET

Britannic Championship (11.0, 110 overs minimum)
SWANSEA: Glamorgan v Essex
BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Warwickshire
TUNBRIDGE WELLS: Kent v Sussex
HINCKLEY: Leicestershire v Surrey
TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Somerset
WORCESTER: Worcestershire v Middlesex
SHEFFIELD: Yorkshire v Derbyshire
Other match
THE PARKS: Oxford University v Lancashire (11.30-6.30)
SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Chesterfield: Derbyshire v Yorkshire. Ilford: Essex v Northamptonshire. Canterbury: Kent v Hampshire. Preston: Lancashire v Warwickshire. Worksop: Nottinghamshire v Leicestershire. The Oval: Surrey v Glamorgan. Kidderminster: Worcestershire v Somerset.
MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Wisbech: Cambridgeshire v Staffordshire.

OTHER SPORT

CYCLING: Milk Race (6th stage, Exeter to Bournemouth).
GOLF: Amateur championship (at Royal Lytham and St Annes). Martini club championship round (at Haggs Castle).
POLO: Queen's Cup (at Windsor).
SPEEDWAY: League Cup: Cradley Heath v Wolverhampton; Stoke v Birmingham.
TENNIS: Direct Line Insurance tournament (at Beckenham). Crowne Plaza Northern tournament (at Didsbury).

SPEEDWAY: AUSTRALIANS AND NEW ZEALANDERS FACE A TOUGH TEST

Britons set to dominate 'extra' final

By Keith Macklin

The first Commonwealth final of the World Individual Championship will take place next Sunday at Belle Vue, Manchester. Sixteen riders will contest this additional round in the long trail to the final in Poland.

This extra championship event comes about because in the past Australia and New Zealand have been given automatic entry for their winning rider into the Overseas final. The Australian and New Zealand control boards have long felt that their best rider has not necessarily been the one who secured a one-off victory in the domestic final. They asked to be allowed to nominate several top riders to compete against the best of the British riders and the result is the introduction of this Commonwealth final into an already crowded calendar.

There will be four Australians and three New Zealanders lining up against Britain's top nine at Belle Vue on Sunday. The Australians are led by Steve Baker, a former European junior champion who has ridden in England for Halifax and Sheffield. Baker rides in the German Bundesliga. Steve Regeling rides for King's Lynn in the British League and Troy Butler was in Oxford's grand slam side last year but has done little riding since December when he broke his leg. The fourth Australian is a rider whose credentials are unknown in this country, Alan Rivett.

New Zealand's three representatives are all experienced riders. David Bargh, of Coventry, has never quite fulfilled his early promise; Larry Ross is riding on loan with Bradford by permission of his parent club, Belle Vue; and Mitch Shirra, who rides for Reading in the British League, broke his leg in 1985, and has not regained his confidence and form.

Any of these riders could cause a surprise but no one seriously expects an Australian or New Zealand competitor to head the qualifiers. Indeed, they could all struggle to make the cut for the Overseas final.

The British challenge will not be headed by the England captain, Simon Wigg, after his dismal, machine-dogged failure in the British final at Coventry on Sunday. Neil Evitts introduced drama and pathos last Sunday by saying that he wanted desperately to win in memory of his Bradford colleague and the reigning British champion, Kenny Carter. He proceeded to fulfil his ambition and head the British qualifiers.

Next Sunday's meeting and the Overseas final will be fought out against the background of Danish domination of speedway racing and the uncomfortable feeling that Gundersen or Nielsen or one of their compatriots will take the crown in Katowice despite the best that Britain, Poland, the United States, Australia and New Zealand can produce.

Nevertheless, Sunday's competition could produce some lively and spectacular racing. Chris Morton will fancy himself on his own track and it will be interesting to watch the young National League rider, Paul Thorp, who has made rapid strides and looks a top British League rider of the future.

ENTERTAINMENTS

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CINEMAS

CAMDEN PLAZA 485 2443 (Opp Camden Town tube) ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS (15). Afternoon perfs cancelled until 5th June. Film at 6.10, 8.40. ENDS Thurs. STARTS Fri 6 Jun Derek Jarman's prize-winning CARAVAGGIO (18). Film at 1.00, 2.55, 4.50, 6.55 & 9.00.

CHELSEA CINEMA 351 3742 King's Road (Nearest tube Sloane Sq) RAN (15) Film at 1.30, 4.40, 7.55. ENDS Thurs. STARTS Fri 6 Jun Derek Jarman's prize-winning CARAVAGGIO (18). Film at 1.00, 2.55, 4.50, 6.55 & 9.00. SEATS BOOKABLE for last eve. perf. Access/Visa.

CURZON MAYFAIR Curzon St 499 3737 First Call 24hr 7 Day cc 240 7200 (Bkg Fee) Maggie Smith, Denholm Elliott, Judi Dench in A ROOM WITH A VIEW (PG) Film at 1.30 (Not Sun) 3.45, 6.10 & 8.40. ALSO AT CURZON WEST END FROM FRI

CURZON WEST END Shaftesbury Avenue W1 439 4805. First Call 24 Hr 7 Day cc 240 7200 (Bkg Fee) Kurosawa's RAN (15) Sep Perfs daily at 2.15, 5.15 & 8.15. LAST WEEK From Fri Maggie Smith, Denholm Elliott in A ROOM WITH A VIEW (PG).

GATE CINEMA, Notting Hill Gate 727 4043. Dolby Stereo. Martin Scorsese's AFTER HOURS (15) 3.00, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00. Advance booking.

LEICESTER SQUARE THEATRE 930 5252 (Eng)/930 7515 (24 hour Access/Visa/AmEx Bookings) Daryl Hannah IN THE CLAN OF THE CAVE BEAR (15) in Dolby stereo. Sep progs Daily 1.10, 3.40, 6.15, 8.50. All progs bookable in advance

LUXEMBURG CINEMA 379 3014/836 0691 St Martin's Lane, WC2 (Leicester Sq tube) Derek Jarman's prize winning CARAVAGGIO (18). Film at 1.00, 2.55, 4.50, 6.55, 9.00. Lic. Bar. SEATS BOOKABLE for eve perfs.

ODEON HAYMARKET (930 2738) THE DOCTOR AND THE DEVILS (15) Sep progs 2.15, 5.00, 8.45. All seats bookable in advance. Access and Visa telephone bookings welcome.

ODEON LEICESTER SQUARE (930 6111) Info 930 4259 / 4259 DOWN AND OUT IN BEVERLY HILLS (15) Sep progs. Doors open Daily 2.00, 5.00, 8.00. All progs bookable in advance. Credit Card Hot Line (Access/Visa/AmEx) 839 1929. 24 hour service. £2.50 seats available Monday all perfs.

ODEON MARBLE ARCH (723 2011) THE JEWEL OF THE NILE (PG) Sep progs Doors open Daily 1.15, 3.35, 6.55, 8.15. Reduced prices for Under 16's, Student card holders, UB40 holders, OAPs.

RENOIR 837 8402 opp. Russell Sq. Tube
1. Agnes Varda's VAGABONDE (15). Film at 2.10, 4.20, 6.30, 8.45.
2. Scorsese's AFTER HOURS (15). Film at 2.25, 4.35, 6.45, 9.00.
SEATS BOOKABLE eve perfs. Access/Visa.

SCREEN ON BAKER STREET 935 2772. (1) MY BEAUTIFUL LAUNDRETTE (15) 3.05, 5.00, 7.05, 9.10. (2) KISS OF THE SPIDER WOMAN (18) 3.30, 6.10 & 8.40. Seats Bookable.

SCREEN ON ISLINGTON GREEN 226 3520 Martin Scorsese's Cannes prize-winner AFTER HOURS (15) 2.55, 4.50, 7.00, 9.00. Seats bookable in advance.

SCREEN ON THE HILL 435 3366. Cinema closed for repairs. Re-opens Fri June 6 with the Oscar-winning TRIP TO BOUNTIFUL.

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Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

BBC 1

6.00 Ceefax AM.
6.50 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough and Selina Scott. Weather at 6.55, 7.25, 7.55, 8.25 and 8.55; regional news, weather and traffic at 6.57, 7.27, 7.57 and 8.27; national and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; World Cup news at 7.15 and 8.15; the new Top Twenty at 7.32; and a review of the morning newspapers at 8.37. Plus, Beverly Alt's fashion guide. The guests include The Shadows and Alan Coren.
9.20 Ceefax 10.30 Play School.(r)
10.50 Gharbar. This week's edition of the magazine programme for Asian women includes a discussion on how to stop children mistaking medicines for sweets and drinks, between Salsha Khan, a pharmacist, and Kamla Shori, a health education officer. Plus, Geeta Patel, a dental therapist, warns of the dangers of eating too many sweets. 11.15 Ceefax.
1.00 News After Noon with Richard Whitmore and Frances Coverdale, includes news headlines with subtitles 1.25 Regional news. The weather prospects come from Michael Fish 1.30 Bertha. A See-Saw programme for the very young, narrated by Roy Kinnear with Sheila Walker. (r) 1.45 Ceefax 3.52 Regional news.
3.55 Up Our Street (r) 4.10 Dogtanian and the Three Muskehounds. (r) 4.30 Take Two, introduced by Phillip Schofield. The programme under discussion this week is Jossy's Giants.
5.00 John Craven's Newsround 5.05 Moonfleet. Part two of the six-episode dramatization of the smuggling yarn by J. Meade Falkner. (r) (Ceefax)
5.30 World Cup Report, introduced by Bob Wilson and Emlyn Hughes. Jimmy Hill reflects on England's game against Portugal; and Andy Gray previews Scotland's game tonight against Denmark and West Germany's match against Uruguay.
6.00 News with Nicholas Witchell and Andrew Harvey. Weather.
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 Wogan. Tonight's guests include Desmond Morris, Zammo (Lee MacDonald), and Lady Elizabeth Anson. Music comes from Carmel.
7.40 World Cup Grandstand, introduced by Desmond Lynam. Highlights of the first half and live coverage of the second in the Group E game between West Germany and Uruguay. The commentator at Queretaro is Barry Davies. Plus, highlights of the match between Paraguay and Iraq; and a preview of the match later tonight between Scotland and Denmark.
9.00 News with Julia Somerville and John Humphrys. Weather.
9.30 The Africans. In part two of his series Professor Ali Mazrui traces the impact on the traditional family of the outside forces of Islam and the West and comes to the conclusion that many happy marriages were upset by missionaries who objected to the practice of polygamy. (Ceefax) (see Choice)
10.25 Film: Up the Chastity Belt (1971) starring Frankie Howerd, Graham Crowden and Bill Fraser. A follow-up to Up Pompei with Howerd playing the role of a high-born man living the life of a serf who uses his natural cunning to claim his rightful place on the medieval throne of England. Directed by Bob Kellett.
11.55 Weather.

TV-AM

6.15 Good Morning Britain presented by Anne Diamond and Nick Owen. News with Gordon Honeycombe at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00; sport at 6.35 and 7.34; exercises at 6.55; cartoon at 7.25; pop music news at 7.55; video report at 8.40; Irma Kurtz, author of Malespeak, at 9.03; and an item on cystic fibrosis at 9.12.

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames news headlines.
9.30 For Schools: Hallowe'en celebrations 9.47 A visit to the Viking Museum at Roskilde in Denmark 10.04 Designing and testing bridges 10.21 Holidaying on a canal boat 10.33 The equality of the sexes as seen through the eyes of Bangladeshi women who have just arrived in this country 11.00 Author Raymond Briggs talks about his writing 11.20 Using English to express sympathy and hostility. 11.40 A-level chemistry experiment - bomb calorimetry.
11.55 Courageous Cat. Cartoon series 12.00 Portland Bill. Adventures of a lighthouse keeper. 12.10 Our Backyard (r)
12.30 Understanding Adolescents. What influences an adolescent?
1.00 News at One with Leonard Parkin 1.20 Thames news.
1.30 Film: Hijack (1973) starring David Janssen and Keenan Wynn. A made-for-television drama about a pair of truckers who are hired by a government agent to carry a secret cargo from Los Angeles to Houston in record time. They readily accept unaware that they are to become targets of desperateenemy agents. Directed by Leonard Horn.
2.50 Derby Day '86 introduced by Brough Scott. Coverage of the Ever Ready Derby Stakes (3.30).
4.00 Portland Bill. A repeat of the programme shown at noon 4.10 The Blunders. Cartoon series. 4.15 Basil's Joke Machine 4.30 Poparound. Pop music quiz. 4.55 Roadrunner. Cartoon.
5.00 Bellamy's Bugle. Another edition of David Bellamy's conservation series.
5.15 Saint and Greavsie's World Cup. Ian and Jimmy with the latest news from the home countries' camps in Mexico.
5.45 News with Alastair Stewart 6.00 Thames news.
6.25 Help! Viv Taylor Gee with news of Planning Aid for Londoners, designed to assist those with Town Planning problems who do not have the resources available.
6.35 Crossroads. Anne-Marie manages to acquire her pound of flesh.
7.00 Where There's Life... How much influence should parents have over their children? (see Choice).
7.30 Coronation Street. Terry Duckworth opens his mouth once too often. (Oracle).
8.00 Film: To Catch a Thief (1955) starring Cary Grant and Grace Kelly. Delightful tale of a retired cat burglar, retired to the South of France, who is forced out of his sunny reverie by a thief with a similar style who is throwing suspicion on the man who has hung up his gloves. Directed by Alfred Hitchcock.
10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gall and PamelaArmstrong.
10.30 World Cup '86, presented by Brian Moore. Coverage of the Scotland v Denmark match at the Neza Stadium. The commentator, John Helm, is joined by former Scotland captain, Billy McNeill.
1.00 Night Thoughts.

Dr Miriam Stoppard: Where There's Life, ITV, 7.00pm

CHOICE

●Unilateralists who follow Sinatra's *I Did it My Way* banner, won't be as keen to fall in behind Charles Henderson who boasts in tonight's *Where There's Life* (ITV, 7.00pm) that *they* did it his way. Deciding that his wife and three daughters were having too much foo easily in the US, he took them off to a remote Australian cattle station where they wrestled with steers, cattle-mustered by helicopter, learnt how to handle acetylene burners and - above all - knuckled under to the law that Dad Knows Best. If they didn't, they got what I think I heard the patriarch describe as a sharp wind behind the ear. Not the most subtle or effective way to keep a family together, clearly, because one of the daughters cut loose, moved in with her boyfriend, and now defiently throws her aerobatic plane all over the skies. Following *Where There's Life* practice, Dr Miriam Stoppard (as photogenic as she is intelligent) invites the studio audience to comment on the Henderson experiment. Reactions like "horrific" and "arrogant" were only to be expected. Less predictable is the revelation that even in forbearing Britain, there are fathers who exercise the heavy hand.

Moderately, though. Whether the TV show has finished by 8.30 or not, it's off to bed with the little scallywags.

●Family life is also the subject of the second of Ali A Mazrui's films about THE AFRICANS (BBC1, 9.30pm), but family life that is alien to the West, with flourishing polygamy, wives who are custodians of earth and fire, and illegitimacy among parents but not among children. Professor Mazrui is presenting an all-encompassing analysis of Africa that makes me feel I am looking at the continent for the very first time.

●Part one of ALISTAIR COOKE'S AMERICAN COLLECTION (Radio 4, 12.27pm) features the American musicals of the 1920s. What lyrics ! What tunes ! Small wonder Mr Cooke, as guide through Wonderland, is content to play what amounts to a supporting role.

Peter Davalle.

BBC 2

6.55 Open University: Discovering Chemistry. Ends at 7.20.
9.00 Ceefax.
10.00 Daytime on Two: for four- and five-year olds 10.15 Ceefax 11.00 Prize-winning dogs 11.15 Ceefax 11.33 Problems for 10- to 12-year olds 11.40 The difference having and not having money has on one's life 12.02 Ceefax 2.00 Houses and mosaics of Pompeii 2.18 Walrus: work it out, with Michael Rosen 2.40 Sheelagh Gilbey visits the theatre of Epidaurus and then the ancient battlefield of Salamis.
3.00 Ceefax.
5.25 News summary with subtitles. Weather.
5.30 Film: The Maggie* (1952) starring Paul Douglas and Alex Mackenzie. The last steamer still trading up and down the west coast of Scotland is threatened with the scrap yard if its pugnacious skipper, Captain MacTaggart, cannot win a profitable cargo away from one of the big shipping lines. When luck and misunderstanding leads to MacTaggart winning a cargo he discovers that it is not as easy a matter as it seems. Directed by Alexander Mackendrick. (Ceefax)
6.55 The Cruel Sea* (1952) starring Jack Hawkins, Denholm Elliott and, in his first screen role, Donald Sinden. Classic stiff-upper lip drama based on Nicholas Montsarrat's best-selling novel about the crew of a Second World War corvette and the part they play in the Battle of the Atlantic. Directed by Charles Frend.
9.00 M*A*S*H. Is it the weather or the wear of front-line fatigue that the boys of the camp start to bicker among one another? On top of that Hotlips starts singing and Klinger wears a white wedding dress. Hawkeye decides that something must be done about the situation.
9.25 A Very Peculiar Practice. Timothy West makes a guest appearance in tonight's episode of the comedy series about the staff at a redbrick university's medical centre. he plays the role of the irrascible Professor Furie who demands a pep pill to cope with his tiredness and depression, and refuses all attempts by Stephen to examine him and diagnose the true reason for his condition. The Professor, an eminent biochemist, is a powerful man on the campus and Stephen awaits with trepidation the prof's revenge. Starring Peter Davison. (Ceefax)
10.15 Sing Country from the Silk Cut Festival from Wembley Arena. A Nitty Gritty Dirt band special, introduced by David Allan.
10.40 Newsnight.
11.25 Weather.
11.30 Open University: The Ghent Altarpiece 11.55 Frederick and Voltaire - the Story of a Visit. Ends at 12.25.

CHANNEL 4

1.15 Their Lordships' House. A repeat of last night's highlights of the day's proceedings in the House of Lords.
1.30 Derby Day '86. Brough Scott introduces coverage of four races from Epsom - the Woodcote Stakes (2.00); the Nightrider Stakes (2.30); the Ever Ready Derby Stakes (3.30); and the Silver Seal Stakes (4.20). The commentator is John Oaksey.
4.45 At the Photographers. Animated films from the Zagred studios in Yugoslavia, presented by Richard Evans.
5.30 Alice. The Phoenix, Arizona, diner waitress storms out of her job in a huff when Mel refuses to take any notice of her ideas on improving working conditions. Alice is immediately replaced by a robot, full of charm and efficiency.
6.00 Family Ties. American domestic comedy series. Starring Meredith Baxter-Birney and Michael Gross.
6.30 Flashback: Street Fighting Man 1968. Newsreels of the events of 1968 when violent demonstrations against the war in Vietnam reached their peak. How fair was television in its reporting of the anti-war movement? (r) (Oracle)
7.00 Channel Four news with Trevor McDonald and Nicholas Owen.
7.50 Comment. This week's political slot is filled by Anna McCurley, Conservative MP for Renfrew West and Inverclyde. Weather.
8.00 Gallery. Art quiz presented by George Melly. The regular team captains, Maggi Hambling and Frank Whitford, are joined by Richard Ingrams and Michael Gough, and students, Lyn Malcolm from University College of Wales, and Franco Melechi of Leeds University. (Oracle)
8.30 Diverse Reports. In the second of two programmes on Britain's relationship with the United States, London-based American journalist, Lloyd Grossman investigates the conservatism and cultural snobbery that is the basis of many anti-American attitudes.
9.00 Dance on Four. Three pieces from the repertoire of Janet Smith and Dancers - Face the Music, Rum and Coca-Cola, and Con Spirito. Janet Smith introduces the programme and choreographer Gill Clarke talks briefly about the pieces.
10.00 Film: Trans-Europ-Express* (1966) Spoof comedy thriller about a film director on a long train journey who settles down to write a film screenplay about a drugs runner on his first assignment for a big syndicate. Starring Jean-Louis Trintignant and the film's director, Alain Robbe-Grillet.
11.45 Their Lordships' House. Highlights of the day's proceedings in the House of Lords. Ends at 12.00.

Radio 4

On long wave. VHF variations at end.
5.55 Shipping. 6.00 News. 6.10 Farming. 6.25 Prayer(s).
6.30 Today, incl 6.30, 7.30, 8.30 News. 6.45 Business News. 6.55, 7.55 Weather. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.25, 8.25 Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day. 8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel
9.00 News
9.05 Midweek with Libby Purves (s)
10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time.
10.30 Morning Story: Red in the Morning, by Lewis Hosegood. Reader: Frank Duncan.
10.45 Daily Service (s)(New Every Morning, page 54)
11.00 News; Travel; The Power of the Preachers. Why so many people flocked to hear the sermons of three Methodist ministers in London after the last war.
11.48 Enquire Within. Listeners' questions answered.
12.00 News; You and Yours.
12.27 Alistair Cooke's American Collection (new series). A selection of records from his private collection. Today: The American musical.(see Choice). 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at one: News
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Includes Frances Tomelty reading part 1 of Sisters by Rita, by Joan Lingard.
3.00 News; The Afternoon Play. The Ring Around the Bath, by Michael Judge. With Mark Lambert and Ingrid Craigie (s)
3.47 English Now. David Crystal examines catch-phrases and slogans
4.00 News
4.05 File on 4 (r)
4.45 Kaleidoscope Extra. When the action stops - in books and on stage. Contributions from, among others, Robert Cushman, Terry Hands, John Fowles, Michael Frayn and H R F Keating
5.00 PM: News magazine. 5.50 Shipping. 5.55 Weather.
6.00 News: Financial Report
6.30 Quote ... Unquote. With Tim Rice, Frank Keating, Dillie Keane and Lord Oaksey
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 In Business. Retailing and franchising.
7.45 Groundswell. The risks to marine wildlife off British coasts.
8.15 Analysis. John Eidinow on the up-to-date Labour Party.
9.00 Thirty-Minutes. Getting Used to It, by Marilyn Morris. With John Basham and Malcolm Raeburn (r) (s)
9.30 Coventry sent to Coventry. How Coventry is coping with unemployment.
9.45 Kaleidoscope. Includes comment on Ross, at the Old Vic, and C Burns's book Snakewrist. Also the Crafts Council Exhibition.
10.15 A Book at Bedtime. Under the Net, by Iris Murdoch (3). Read by Stephen Rea. 10.29 Weather
10.30 The World Tonight
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
11.30 Today in Parliament
12.00 News: Weather. 12.33 Shipping.
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: .55-6.00am Weather;ravel. 11.00-12.00 For Schools.1.55-3.00pm For Schools.5.50-5.55 PM (continued). 11.30-12.10am Open University 11.30 Nuclear Weapons. 11.50 Understanding Chemistry. 12.30-1.10 Schools Night-Time Broadcasting: Voix de France French VI.

Radio 3

On medium wave. VHF variations at end.
6.55 Weather. 7.00 News
7.05 Concert: Frank Martin (Tempest overture). Myslivecek (Concerto in F, with Sebastyen, violin), Haydn (Symphony No 65). 8.00 News
8.05 Concert (contd): Quantz (Sonata in D: Prestons, flute and Carolan, harpsichord), Schubert (Gretchen am Spinnrade: Liebesbotschaft: Schumann, soprano), Walton (Five Bagatelles: Bream, guitar), Prokofiev (Scythian Suite). 9.00 News
9.05 This Week's Composer: Grieg. Brooklet, Op 64 No 2, and Homeward, Op 662 No 5: Gilels, piano), Sonata in A minor (Cohen/Vignoles), Old Norwegian Romance, with variations
10.00 Viola and piano: Rivka Golani and Antony Saunders. Kalliwoda (Six Nocturnes), Shostakovich (Sonata, Op 147)
10.55 NCOS Symphony Orchestra (under Hurst). With Alexander Baillie(cello). Webern (Passacaglia), Elgar (Cello Concerto), Schumann (Symphony No 3)
12.15 Concert Hall: London Oboe Band. Thalmann (Partita a 6, in D). Fasch (Sonata in G minor), Dodgson (Masque), Lully (Cadmus et Hermione suite), and Bale arrangement of Tiger Rag. 1.00 News
1.05 Earl Hines in New Orleans. Recordings made in 1974
1.30 Matinee Musicale:BBC Concert Orchestra (under Ashley Lawrence), with James Dower(flute), David Onwen Norris (piano). Philips (Revelry overture), Jongen (Sarabande triste), Gaubert (Fantaisie), Busser (Squirrels), Langford (Trio, Three dance contrasts), Coates (Two Symphonic Rhapsodies), Borne (Carmen fantasy)
2.20 Allegri String Quartet: Haydn (Quartet in E flat, Op 76 No 6), Bridge (Quartet No 3)
3.20 Liszt and Tchaikovsky: Leslie Howard (piano). Liszt (Mephisto Waltz No 4) and Tchaikovsky (Sonata in G, Op 337)
4.00 Choral Evensong: from Cathedral Church of All Saints, Wakefield. 4.55 News
5.00 Midweek Choice: Szymanowski (Concerto Overture), Offenbach (Polonaise, Suite No 2: Pidoux and Pelard, cellos), Scriabin (Twelve studies, Op 8: Lane, piano), Martinu (Serenade No 2), Falla (Three Dances from Three-cornered hat), Saint-Saens (Three Waltzes: Dosse, piano), Schuman (Symphony No 1)
7.00 Debut: Paul Coker (piano). Beethoven (Sonata in F minor, Op 57)
7.25 Breaking the Rules: Margaret Wolfit reads from Octavia Hill's journals and letters
7.45 Music of Eight Decades: London Sinfonietta (under Zagrosek). With Gareth Hulse (oboe). Part 1. Gerhard (Libra), Dillon (Uberschreiten)
8.30 Six Continents: foreign radio broadcasts, monitored by the BBC
8.50 Concert: part 2. Boulez (Derive, for six players), Maderna(Concerto for oboe and chamber ensemble)
9.45 Scarlatti Sonatas: Christopher Kite (harpsichord)plays works including the G minor, Kk4; the C minor, Kk22; and the G, Kk 522.
10.15 New Premises: Stephen Games's arts magazine (r)
11.00 Chamber Music from Manchester: Felicity Palmer (mezzo), John Constable (piano). Works by Rossini, Britten and songs attributed to Francesco Bianchi
11.57 News. 12.00 Closedown
VHF only: Open University. From 6.35am to 6.55. Open Forum: Students' Magazine.

Marie-France Pisier: on Channel 4 at 10.00pm

Radio 2

On medium wave. See Radio 1 for VHF variations.
News on the hour except 11.00pm (12.00 midnight VHF only). Headlines 5.30am, 6.30, 7.30 and 8.30. World Cup Overnight news 6.02am, 7.07, 8.07 Match reports 8.02pm, 9.02. Commentary Scotland v Denmark 11.00pm (mf only). General Desks 1.05pm, 2.02pm, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45(mf only), 9.55. Cricket Scoreboard 7.30pm
4.00 Charles Nove (s). 5.30 Colin Berry (s). 7.30 Derek Jameson. 9.30 Ken Bruce(s) 11.00 Michael Aspel(s) 1.05pm David Jacobs(s) 2.05 Derby Day Out. Ever Ready Derby at Epsom Downs. 2.30 £10,000 The Nightrider Stakes.3.30 £150,000 The Ever Ready Derby Stakes(s). Presented from Epsom Downs by Gloria Hunniford and Derek Jameson. 4.00 David Hamilton(s) 5.05 John Dunn(s) 7.00 Folk on 2 (s). Includes an interview with Bob Arnold (Tom Forrest of The Archers), and music from Maggie Holland, Dave Parry and Strawhead. 8.30 Cider 'N' Song (The Yetties) 9.00 Listen to the Band (s). Charlie Chester with the Band of the Royal Corps of Signals. 9.55 Sports Desk 10.00 The Trinder Box. Tommy Trinder chats to a live audience 10.15 The Houghton Weavers 10.30 Chris Ellis 11.00 World Cup Special. Scotland v Denmark. Commentary on the whole of the match from the Neza 86 Stadium in Nezahualcoyotl. Commentators: Mike Ingham and Roddy Forsyth. 12.50am Round Midnight(joining VHF)(s)2.00-4.00am Nightride(s).

Radio 1

On medium wave. VHF variations at end.
News on the half hour from 6.30am until 9.30pm and at 12.00 midnight.
5.30am Adrian John 7.00 Mike Smith's Breakfast Show 9.30 Simon Bates 12.30 Newsbeat(Ian Parkinson) 12.45 Gary Davies 3.00 Steve Wright 5.30 Newsbeat(Ian Parkinson) 5.45 Bruno Brookes, incl at 6.30 Top 30 album chart 7.30 Janice Long 10.00-12.00 John Peel(s). VHF Radios 1 & 2: 4.00am As Radio 2. 10.00 As Radio 1. 12.00 News. 12.05am Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight(s). 2.00-4.00 As Radio 2.

WORLD SERVICE

6.30 Meridian 7.00 News 7.30 Short Story 7.45 Sportsworld 8.00 News 8.09 Reflections 8.15 Classical Record Review 8.30 Brain of Britain 1986 9.00 News 9.09 Review of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News 9.40 Look Ahead 9.45 The Waltz King 10.00 News 10.01 Omnibus 11.00 News 11.09 News About Britain 11.15 On the Box 11.25 A Letter From Wales 11.30 Meridian 12.00 Radio Newsreel 12.15 Nature Notebook 12.25 The Farming World 12.45 Sports Roundup 1.00 News 1.09 Twenty-Four Hours 1.30 Sportsworld 2.00 Outlook 3.00 Radio Newsreel 3.15 Ships from Seven Seas 3.30 Radio Active 4.00 News 4.15 Counterpoint 5.45 Sports Roundup 7.45 Good Books 8.00 News 8.09 Twenty-Four Hours 8.30 Assignment 9.00 News 9.01 Sportsworld 9.15 Album Time 9.45 Recording of the Week 10.00 News 10.09 The World Today 10.25 A Letter from Wales 10.30 Financial News 10.40 Reflections 10.45 Sports Roundup 11.00 News 11.09 Commentary 11.15 World Cup Soccer Special 12.00 News 12.09 News About Britain 12.15 Radio Newsreel 12.30 Radio Active 1.00 News 1.01 Outlook 1.30 Waveguide 1.40 Book Choice 1.45 Living with Drought 2.00 News 2.09 Review of the British Press 2.15 Sportsworld 2.30 Assignment 3.00 News 3.09 News About Britain 3.15 The World Today 4.45 Reflections 4.50 Financial News 5.00 News 5.09 Twenty-Four Hours 5.45 The World Today. All Times in GMT.

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

BBC1 WALES 1.45pm-3.52 Bowls: The Principality Building Society Welsh Champion of Champions 5.35-6.00 Wales Today 6.35-7.00 World Cup Report 10.25-11.25 Sports Special 11.25-12.55am Film: Up the Chastity Belt (Frankie Howerd) 12.55-1.00 News and weather SCOTLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland NORTHERN IRELAND 11.15am-1.00pm Jack High 2.30-3.52 Jack High 5.35-5.40 Today's Sport 5.40-6.00 Inside Ulster 6.35-7.00 World Cup Report 11.55-12.00 News and weather ENGLAND 6.35pm-7.00 Regional news magazines

BBC 2 NORTHERN IRELAND. All programmes as for BBC 2 network schedule except as follows:4.00pm-5.25 Jack High

TYNE TEES As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Clegg's People 1.25-1.30 Where the Jobs Are 6.00-6.35 Northern Life 1.00am Masterpieces, Closedown.

CHANNEL As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Byline 6.00 Channel Report 6.20-6.35 Canon in the Kitchen 1.00am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Gladrags 1.20 News 6.00-6.35 North Tonight 10.30 World Cup Scotsport 1.00am News, Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Mr & Mrs 1.20-1.30 Granada Reports 6.00-6.35 Granada Reports 1.00am Closedown.

TVS As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Bygones 1.20-1.30 News 6.00-6.35 Coast to Coast 1.00am Company, Closedown.

YORKSHIRE As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Calendar Lunchtime Live 1.20-1.30 News 6.00-6.35 Calendar 1.00am Closedown.

ULSTER As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Lunchtime 6.00 Good Evening Ulster 6.25-6.35 Police Six 12.55am News, Closedown.

HTV WEST As London except: 12.30-1.00 Glenroe 1.20-1.30 News 6.00-6.35 News 1.00am Closedown.

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SCOTTISH As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Pat Smythe at Home 1.20 News 1.30 Job Spot 1.35-2.50 Film: Sink or Swim 6.00-6.35 News and Scotland Today 10.30 World Cup Scotsport 1.00am Late Call, Closedown.

TSW As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Mr Smith 1.20-1.30 News 6.00 Today South West 6.30-7.00 Emmerdale Farm 1.00am Postscript, Closedown.

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ANGLIA As London except: 12.30-1.00pm Parlour Game 1.20 News 1.30 Country Practice 2.30-2.50 Suomi – Land of Finns 6.00-6.35 About Anglia 1.00am Cambridge Angle, Closedown.

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Ferguson has distilled right blend

From David Miller, Mexico City

Every manager is, to an extent, at the mercy of his players. A few, such as Billy Bingham, occasionally convert water into drops of wine. Sometimes, like Ally MacLeod, they turn wine into water. *Today's match* between Scotland and Denmark is as much a test of Alex Ferguson as of his Scottish players.

An amiable, approachable man, he has brought Scotland to the brink of the competition in a rational mood and with*out the hollow euphoria* of 1978. Euphoria would scarcely be possible, of course, when queuing up to meet Denmark, West Germany and Uruguay. Yet this is the first time since he succeeded Jock Stein late last year that Ferguson is in a competitive situation from which there is no hiding, if we exclude the rough-and-tumble play-off with Australia.

His squad face the impressive Danes at Neza, a dilapidated, hugely over-populated suburb of Mexico City, with fewer selection doubts than most of the 24 nations in the tournament, but still with the dilemma of which formation to use to counter Sepp Piontek's 3-5-2 line-up. Ferguson's decision will help determine the outcome.

In the first half of last week's first friendly in Los Angeles Miller played as sweeper be*hind two markers, Gough and* McLeish, also in a 3-5-2 formation, but looked less than comfortable, and the Scots reverted to 4-4-2 in the second half, with Malpas returning from midfield to left back. The balance was better.

Ferguson has to decide whether Miller and McLeish, his Aberdeen centre-backs for eight years, are competent as markers to hold Laudrup and Elkjaer without cover, possibly the most dangerous com*bination in the tournament*; and whether a line of four, Strachan, Souness, Aitken and Nicol, can outmanoeuvre Denmark's five by using Gough and Malpas to add

pressure down the flanks.

Scotland are not without talent; it is how they use it that will count. Miller and McLeish may be experienced, and underestimated, some say, having dealt with Bayern and Real Madrid. Today will tell, for sure.

Ferguson said yesterday that he was expecting Souness and Strachan, two of his most experienced players, "to impose themselves". Souness certainly did that at Wembley recently, as England will recall, yet Souness, whose pace may be fading, could be fully stretched by the mobility of Lerby and the rest, from *whom Molby is missing* because of fatigue.

Strachan's speed could unhinge the Danes but the altitude is predictably having alarming effects, as was evidenced when Argentina sagged with empty legs in the last 20 minutes against South Korea. The men who may well be critical for Scotland are Aitken and Nicol.

The burly Aitken, like Mullery for England in 1970, has the character to rise above *the intimidating conditions* while Nicol has suddenly come to the fore in his midfield role. "I believe we can win and the players have got to believe they can, too," Ferguson has said. Nicol and Aitkin will.

But what about Nicholas? Here is another doubt: This is the moment for Nicholas to reproduce his training form of the past month and show that his bubbling skills did not evaporate when he left Celtic. For him it is particularly a test of character as well as class: he could make Denmark's sweeper, Morten Olsen, feel his 35 years.

It is expected that Ferguson will partner Nicholas with Archibald, his former Aberdeen player, as he did last week in Los Angeles. Few Scotsmen are fully aware of the extent of Archibald's selfless work over two seasons for Barcelona; and his shrewd positional running could help create the space for Nicholas. As yet, it is an unproved combination.

The Danes, who will probably have Jesper Olsen, so unfaithfully treated at Old *Trafford, on the left of mid*field, quite openly regard this as the easiest of three first-round matches. I suspect the Scots are going to have some difficulty proving them wrong; but they can do it if they are not too impatient.

Heads down: Zoltan, of Hungary (right), leans into the challenge as the Russian, Yaremchuck, moves in for the ball

Witching hour is watching hour

At the end of the day, it's all about going to bed. At least, it is at the end of most days. But while the World Cup is on, at the end of the day it's time to watch even more football. You watch "the mystery men of South Korea" play Argentina at a civilized hour, promise yourself an early night, but then you find some strange, unearthly force taking hold of you and forcing you back to the television, this time to watch "the dark horses from Africa" as Morocco play Poland.

Well, you say, it's the underdogs, innit? This might just be one of the great matches of history you are about to see. Can't miss that. Glorious, naive, reckless adventurers in pursuit of a hopeless cause as they fling themselves on to the guns of the mighty. Glory or extinction: the absolute certainty of goals. Surely, for that, it is worth forfeiting an hour or two of the old dreamless. It is the ghost of Pak Doo Ik, that wonderful North Korean from the 1966 World Cup, that keeps you awake.

But once again we are cheated. These days it is not the underdogs that are naive. It is we. These days underdogs are as cynical, as methodical, as organized and as wary as any Italian team.

They go into the World Cup flushed with a glorious ambition of stopping the opposition from playing. These Koreans packed their defence and kicked Maradona. Only when all was lost did they start to play like proper underdogs, and that was when they scored a very pleasant little goal.

But if was a match at the end of the day that was more truly disappointing. The "unknown men of North Africa" had the skills to score a remarkable win — but the peg on which they hung their dreams was a 0-0 draw. They got it. They lacked the courage to attack in numbers; they kept precautionary hordes back in defence — and lost a matchless opportunity.

The teams are all terrified of losing. I don't know why they don't make a prior arrangement to settle for a 0-0 draw, and then forget about playing. Perhaps they do. Now, I suppose, they are talking about "the night African football came of age." I am not a great fan of maturity. I prefer my minnows naive, reckless and glorious. At the end of the day, the minnows sleep — but the ghost of Pak Doo Ik will be rattling its chains in their dreams.

Three beers for the Danes in their 'group of death'

Sepp Piontek, Denmark's West German manager, describes his team as "the South Americans of Europe" and promises that they will play their attractive, attacking style of football against Scotland today. He says his players will not approach the game any differently because of the altitude and heat.

"We are a strong, technical side and we like to go forward," he says. "That's the way we will play. We had 10 days' training in Colombia and the players had no great difficulty getting used to the thin air and altitude. That's no *longer a problem for us.*"

Denmark delighted the game's followers with their refreshingly open style at the European championship in France two years ago when they reached the semi-finals.

Piontek, who has earned much credit for transforming Denmark into a major soccer power, says his players' flair and ball skills come from the peculiarities of the Danish mentality. "The Danes are the South Americans of Europe," he says. "They are quite different from Swedes or Norwegians, much more like people in Latin countries.

"The people are very fun-loving and happy-go-lucky. My players are prepared to work but they also want to make sure they will have a nice time and get some amusement out of it.

"When we have a match I have to tell them that if they do their best they can have three beers. It sounds funny but that's how it is. My team just loves to be all happy together."

Denmark are in a group that *has been called the* "group of death". As well as Scotland, it includes West Germany and Uruguay. Piontek picks out Uruguay as the best-prepared and most difficult of Denmark's three opponents but stresses that his team fear no opposition.

Football party

Madrid (Reuter) — Campaigning for Spain's general election on June 22 stops dead these days in the face of an opponent no political party dares challenge — football. Daily 8 to 10pm television broadcasts of World Cup games from Mexico have upset the schedule of political rallies usually held precisely during that time. But a centre and a left wing party are using Spain's passion for football in their favour. They are setting up giant television screens at their rallies to offer supporters coverage of games.

French pay tribute to stylish Russians

After watching the Russians destroy *Hungary 6-0 in* their opening match in Irapuato on Monday night, France, their next opponents in Group C, were quick to applaud what looks to be an exceptional team. Maxime Bossis, the French team's central defender, conceded: "The Russians are impressive, that's for sure. Collectively and individually they played an extraordinary match."

Nonetheless Bossis, playing in his third World Cup finals, added a note of caution, stressing it remained to be seen "if *they are exceptional or if* their first opponents weren't good". He knows, however, that his side's meeting with the Russians next Thursday in León is sure to be tough. "They're a team who seem the best in the tournament on one match," he said.

Bossis was most impressed by the speed of the Russians and their ability to strike as soon as they found a little space. "The heat and the altitude did not seem to trouble them. We will have to be physically on top form."

Despite the drubbing the Hungarians took, Bossis hasn't written them off. They conceded two goals in the first four minutes and could not get back into the match. But Bossis added: "You cannot judge them on that. You did not see them because they could not free themselves."

Another Frenchman to take up the cry was the midfield player, Luis Fernandez, who drew attention to the Russians' physical attributes and their efficient style of play. "It will be a difficult match, but don't *think we are afraid of them* because they won 6-0," he said. France would have to ensure they gave them less space than Hungary did. "For us it will be a good test to play against them because they're a good team."

"You can begin a competition very strongly and you can have a difficult start but you can progress," he said, contrasting the Russian victory with France's shaky opening — a 1-0 win over Canada the previous day.

There is little doubt the Russians brought the tournament to life with their exhilarating performance. After a drab two days, their attacking extravaganza was most welcome. So complete was their demolition of Hungary that they could even afford to miss a penalty. Gyorgy Mezey, manager of the outclassed Hungarians, said: "The first two goals were like a blow to the head. After that it was very hard to come back. The team just didn't work."

Ominously, Russia accomplished their stunning victory without three of their established stars, Oleg Blokhin, Alexander Chivadze and Oleg Protasov, who are recovering from illness or injury. Nine members of the successful Dynamo Kiev side took part in the game, including the substitute, Vadim Yevtushenko, who missed the penalty.

HUNGARY: P Disztl; S Sallai, A Roth (sub: G Burcsa), J Kardos, I Garaba, J Kiprich, A Nagy, L Detari, P Zoltan (sub: L Dajka), M Esterhazy, G Bognar.

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Referee: L Agnolin (Italy).

Maradona takes a count of 10

Mexico City (Reuter) — Diego Maradona stamped his class on the World Cup as Argentina opened their programme with a 3-1 victory over South Korea in the Olímpico stadium in Mexico City on Monday. Maradona set up all of his team's goals — scored by Jorge Valdano (two) and Oscar Ruggeri — despite being repeatedly fouled by Korean defenders.

"We did not think South Korea would be that tough but we still won, although it was not easy," Maradona, who can expect another tough ride *when Argentina face Italy in* their next match, said.

Maradona was sent off after losing his temper against Brazil during the last World Cup and the manager, Carlos Bilardo, was delighted with his self-control this time.

Maradona was fouled 10 times. He may well have wondered what had happened to the directive given to referees to "let the ball-players play". The Koreans soon discovered that they could hack him down and draw only mild censure from the Spanish official, Victoriano Sanchez.

In the first half Maradona was fouled seven times. He took better care of himself after the interval, having established Argentina's winning position. It remains to be seen whether he can retain his composure against less threatening opponents than South Korea.

ARGENTINA: *N Pumpido; N Clausen, J L Brown, O Ruggeri, O Garre, R Giusti, S Batista, D Maradona, J Burruchaga, P Pasculi, J Valdano.*

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World Cup diary

Dressing down for Scotland

Scotland have failed to make a favourable first impression with the World Cup hosts Mexico. The Scots, who have been accused of many *things in the past, have been* cirticized in the Mexican Press over their dress sense.

After Scotland's arrival at Mexico City's international airport, the party were accused of looking "untidy and unkempt". One of the local daily newspapers described the officials as looking the part but the players reportedly arrived "with their shirts outside their trousers".

A couple of players were even accused of appearing to fall asleep during the obligatory Press interview at the airport. It is nothing new to the Scots to receive adverse publicity. In Argentina eight years ago some newspaper reports claimed that their breakfast diet consisted of whisky.

● Mexico City, ravaged by last year's earthquake, has turned to football and the World Cup to help ease the pain of that disaster. Before the host nation have even kicked a ball in earnest, it seems that the entire population of the city is determined *to celebrate with a vengeance.*

The Mexican capital, which already has the world's worst traffic problem, has a new enemy — the football fan. Car horns blare incessantly through the night, almost drowning out the seemingly endless chants and singing.

● There is no doubt about who is the most controversial figure in Mexico at the moment — the Australian referee, Christopher Bambridge. His decision to disallow a goal for Spain against Brazil provoked heated dispute throughout the country. Even newspaper leaders entered into the controversy.

The unfortunate referee had one significant disadvantage not experienced by the rest of the world. He was unable to study the video evidence which showed the ball had crossed the line.

Several newspapers were calling for the use of instant video replays to assist the referee in such cases. But the FIFA representative at the match, Thomas Wharton, said: "There's nothing that can be done. FIFA have no reason to look into the matter as the referee's decision is final. And anyway, television is far from infallible.

● Britain could still see the World Cup winners next season even if England, Ireland and Scotland fail to triumph in Mexico. The English and Scottish Football Associations have agreed a date for their Rous Cup meeting in 1987 and have not yet abandoned the idea of inviting a major world power to make it a three-team competition.

"It is still in our minds to include a top team from overseas and obviously if Brazil or Uruguay won the World Cup they would be very attractive opposition," Ted Croker, the FA secretary, said.

Next season's match between Scotland and England will be played on the Saturday following the FA Cup Final.

Dortmund escape relegation

Düsseldorf (Reuter) — Borussia Dortmund beat the promotion candidates, Fortuna Cologne, 8-0 to save their place in the West German first division nearly five weeks after the 1985-86 season ended.

Their decisive performance in the third *play-off match* delighted Borussia supporters in the 50,000 crowd who have fretted through a see-saw series in which the second division side took a 2-0 lead before a 3-1 Dortmund comeback.

To add to the suspense, the decider was postponed for a week when Fortuna reported 13 players unfit for the scheduled May 23 showdown due to injury and illness.

● Besiktas won the Turkish first division title on goal average when they beat Trabzonspor 1-0. The runners-up, Galatasaray, led by the West German coach, Jupp Derwall, defeated Sariyer 1-0 in Istanbul with a penalty goal from Rasit and completed the season undefeated.

● Real Madrid officials have admitted that the problem of gatecrashers has got out of control at the club's home ground, where an estimated 15,000 persons saw the last match against Inter Milan free of charge. Supporters without tickets or with bogus tickets occupied thousands of seats paid for by others. Another favourite ruse is fake passes.

Last January police discovered that thousands of counterfeit referees' identification cards had been printed up and used to get into stadiums free of charge. Then there are the ushers, some of whom are suspected not merely of letting in friends but also of accepting money from ticketless spectators.

Work-rate drops in Bolivia

La Paz (Reuter) — The Bolivian Labour Ministry yesterday warned employers that they were not allowed to give people time off work to watch World Cup matches on television.

The ministry statement followed a decision by many banks, shops and public offices in La Paz to allow employees to work through lunch and leave early to watch games. The city centre was almost deserted on Monday afternoon when the matches were broadcast from Mexico and many shops and offices closed.

● BUENOS AIRES (Reuter) — Argentine reporters criticized the national side's disappointing second-half display in their 3-1 victory over the outsiders, South Korea, on Monday. "It was not a showing that would leave one with great expectations," Ernesto Muñiz, of the *La Nación* newspaper, said. "It could even be said that the play of the Argentines in the last minutes could be called deplorable."

SPORT IN BRIEF

QPR sign Brazil

Queen's Park Rangers yesterday signed Alan Brazil from Coventry City for £175,000, the forward's second move in six months. The former Scottish international, who will be 27 this month, joined Coventry just over four months ago from Manchester United and has now been on the books of five clubs in just over three years at a total cost of £1,675,000.

Brazil began his career with Ipswich. He joined Tottenham in March 1983 for £450,000, but was unable to *claim a regular first-team* place, and after 31 League games moved to Old Trafford for £750,000 in June 1984. He scored only eight goals for Manchester United, and then went to Coventry, valued at £300,000 in an exchange deal involving Terry Gibson. He scored just twice there.

Golden shot

Malcolm Cooper, the Olympic and European shooting champion, was in winning form at the Swiss International Week in Zurich when he won the gold medal in each of the first three 300 metres events.

RESULTS: 300m, 3x20: 1, M Cooper (GB), 575pts; 2, P Dufaux (Switz), 573; 3 R Westerlund (Fin), 572. **300m, 60 shots thrown:** 1, Cooper, 597; 2, R Jansson (Swe), 596; 3, G Andrade (US), 596. **Teams:** 1, Sweden, 1,774; 2, Switzerland, 1,773; 3, Britain, 1,772. **300m, 3x40:** 1, Cooper, 1,168; 2, N Sturmey (Switz), 1,164; 3, Dufaux, 1,160.

Coe: Madrid mission

Coe in charge

Sebastian Coe, of Haringey, *races over 800 metres when he* heads a British contingent competing in an international meeting in Madrid tonight. The European indoor 200 metres champion, Linford Christie (Thames Valley), runs in both sprints, while the Olympic 10,000 metres bronze medal winner, Mike McLeod (Elswick), competes in the 3,000 metres. Gary Oakes (Haringey) has his first race of the season in the 400 metres hurdles.

Club for sale

Middlesbrough Football Club has been put on sale on the open market. Offers above £1 million are invited for Ayresome Park and the club's assets, though these do not include a £1.2 million sports centre. The Football League have warned that the club will not be readmitted if they go into liquidation and form a new company.

Half strength

The British Lions amateur Rugby League team have been *hit by injuries and a 48-hour* virus as they prepare for the second match on their Australian tour. The Lions take on Alice today in Alice Springs, with only half a squad to choose from. Only Sean Currier is able to make his second appearance, having played at *full back in the 18-11 defeat by* Western Australia.

TEAM: D Tate (Dewsbury), S Currier (Widnes), M Harrison (Warrington), S Crichesson (Hull, captain), B Richardson (Whitehaven), F Malloy (Widnes), I Ellis (York), J Emson (Warrington), M Roskell (Barrow), M Todd (Bradford), T Humphries (Warrington), M Meadows (Manchester), P Messenger (Whitehaven). **Replacements:** G Rose (Leeds), K Nason (Doncaster), K Fairbank (Halifax), I Owen (Leigh).

Paragon doubt

Paragon, the record-breaking pre-race favourite in the Carlsberg two-handed transatlantic race, looks an unlikely starter when the 3,000 mile event gets under way from Plymouth on Sunday (Barry Pickthall writes). Mike Whipp, the owner and skiper of this 60ft Thomson-designed trimaran, was in Paris yesterday negotiating to sell the boat, but he will compete only if that deal falls through.

New manager

John McGrath became Preston North End football club's sixteenth manager since the war yesterday. McGrath, who steered Port Vale to promotion three years ago, was forced to quit his last job at Chester for family reasons.

Results

Monday

Group C (at Irapuato)
USSR (2) 6 Hungary (0) 0
Yakovenko, Aleinikov, Belanov (pen), Yaremchuk (2), Rodionov — 16,500

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
USSR	1	1	0	0	6	0	2
France	1	1	0	0	1	0	2
Canada	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Hungary	1	0	0	1	0	6	0

Group A (at Mexico City)
Argentina (2) 3 S Korea (0) 1
Valdano (2), Ruggeri — Park Chang-Sun — 62,000

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Argentina	1	1	0	0	3	1	2
Italy	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Bulgaria	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
S Korea	1	0	0	1	1	3	0

Group F (at Monterrey)
Poland (0) 0 Morocco (0) 0 — 19,000

Today's games

Group B
Paraguay v Iraq (Bombonera, Toluca, 7pm).

Group E
West Germany v Uruguay (Corregidora, Queretaro, 7pm), BBC.
Scotland v Denmark (Neza '86, Nezahualcoyotl, 11pm), ITV.